

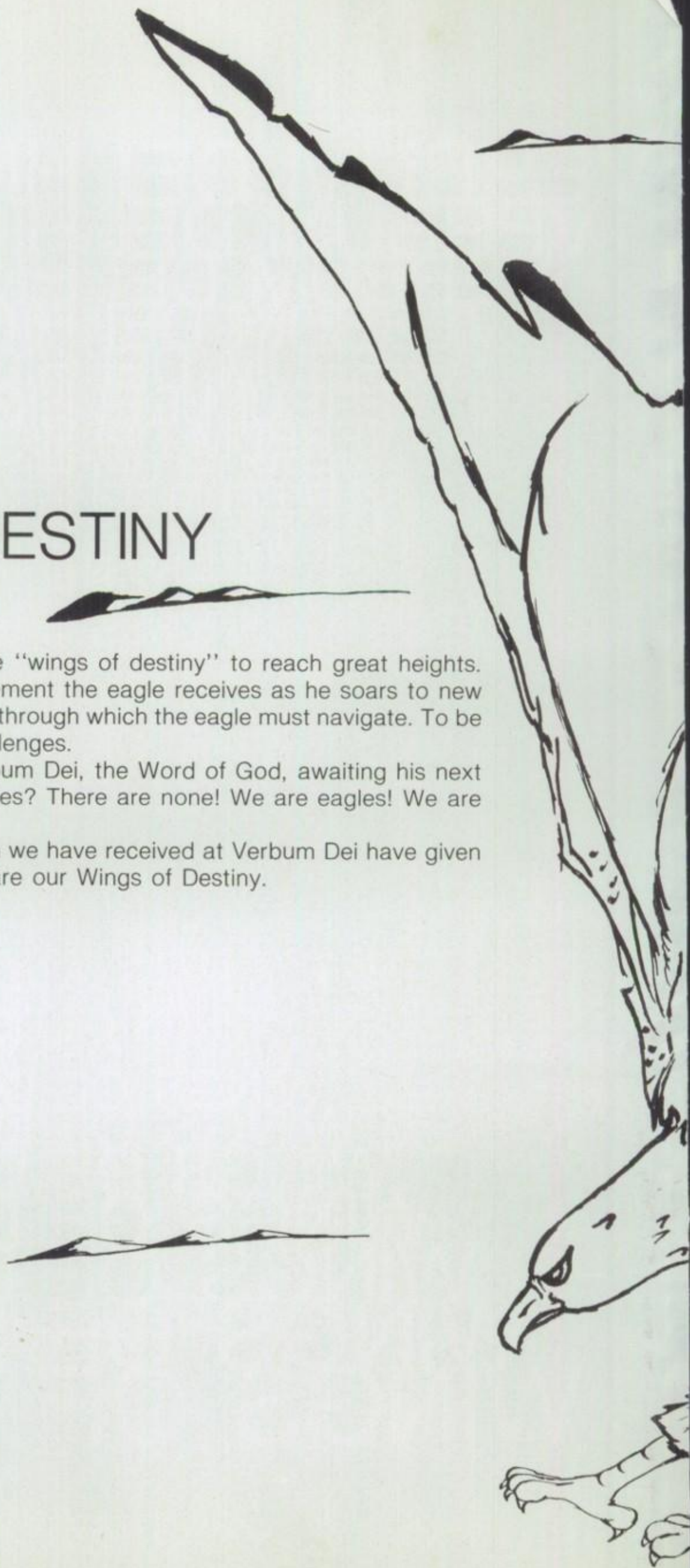
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WINGS OF DESTINY

The eagle carries himself on the "wings of destiny" to reach great heights. Steady breezes are the encouragement the eagle receives as he soars to new horizons. Challenges are the storm through which the eagle must navigate. To be an eagle means to accept all challenges.

The eagle rests proudly on Verbum Dei, the Word of God, awaiting his next challenge. Where are his adversaries? There are none! We are eagles! We are strong, brave and proud!

The guidance and support which we have received at Verbum Dei have given us a great sense of pride. These are our Wings of Destiny.





THEODORE
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FATHER THOMAS JAMES, S.V.D.

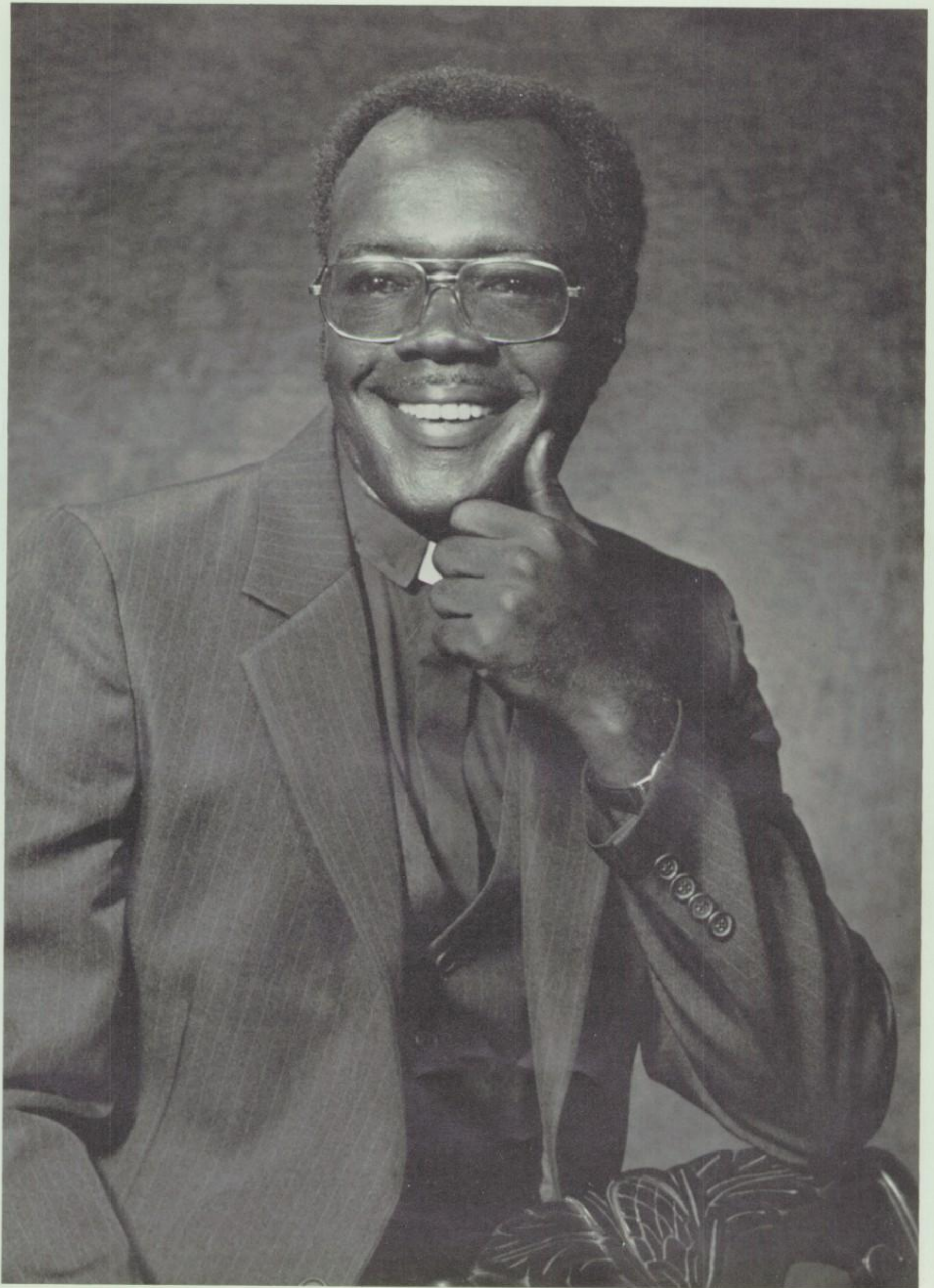
The students of Verbum Dei High School proudly dedicate the 1981 yearbook to Father Thomas James, principal of Verbum Dei.

Father James has shown us what life really means through his dedication to upholding the dreams of the students.

Growing up on a farm in St. Martinville, Louisiana, Father James learned the value of hard work and persistence at an early age. These concepts were reinforced by the little stories recounted to him by his grandparents and his closely knit family.

Strongly engendered with the idea of service to his fellow man and a deep belief in God, he was soon attracted to the Divine Word Missionaries. After several years of teaching and counseling in Bay St. Louis and Chicago, Father James came to Verbum Dei with solid credentials and a fine reputation. After ten years of service, he has become known for his dedicated and untiring efforts. Whether teaching, counseling or disciplining a student, Father James has acquired a reputation for being firm but gentle.

We are proud of you, Father James. We pray that your first year as principal has been a blessed one. We look forward to many more years of your guidance and love.





Seniors Stewart Bailey, Kenneth Joiner, Alford Phillips and Dwayne Williams relax before third period.

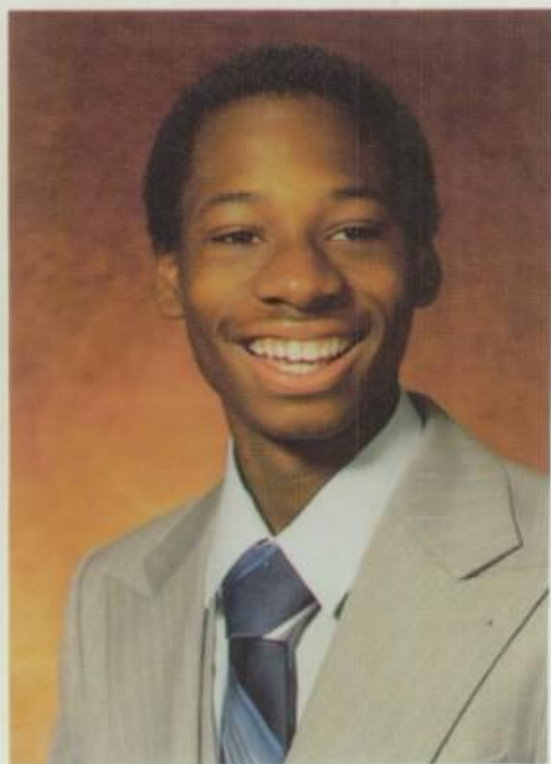
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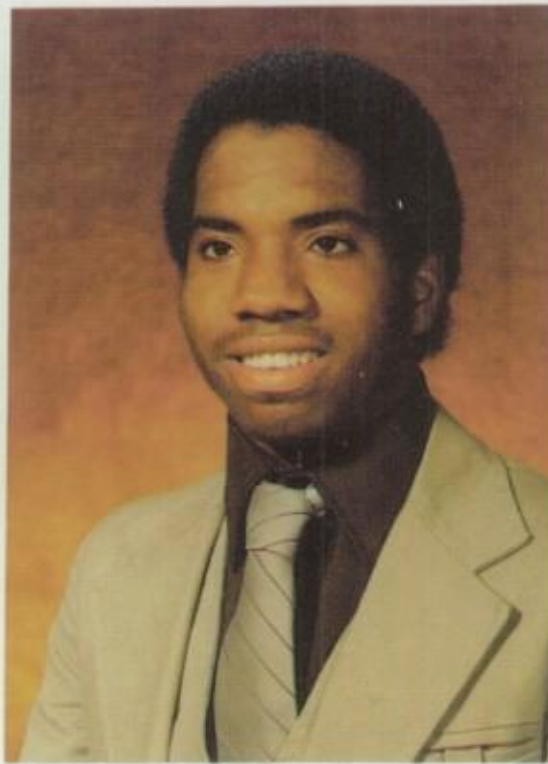
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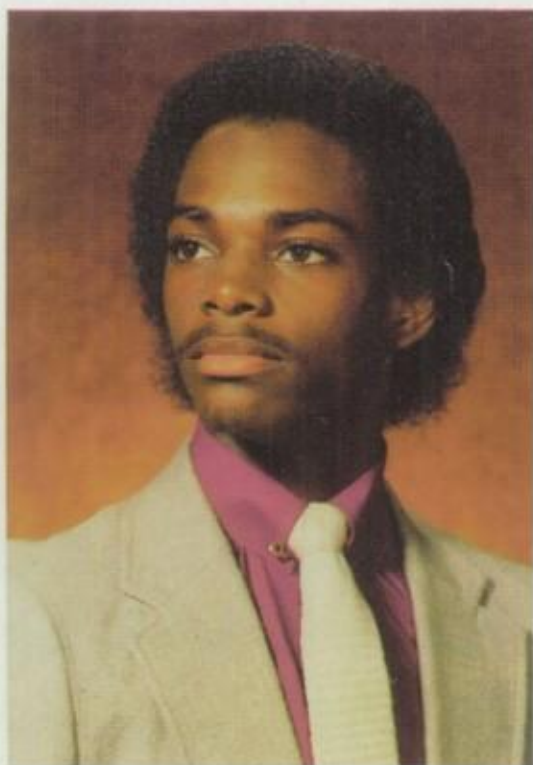
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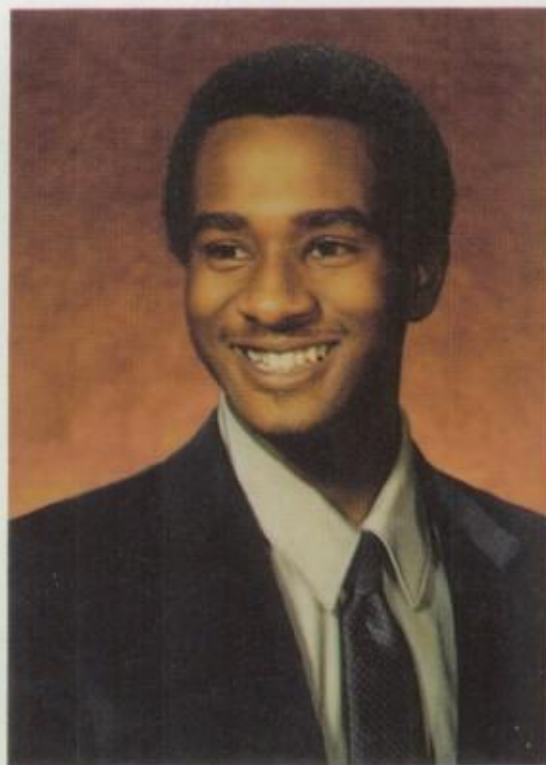
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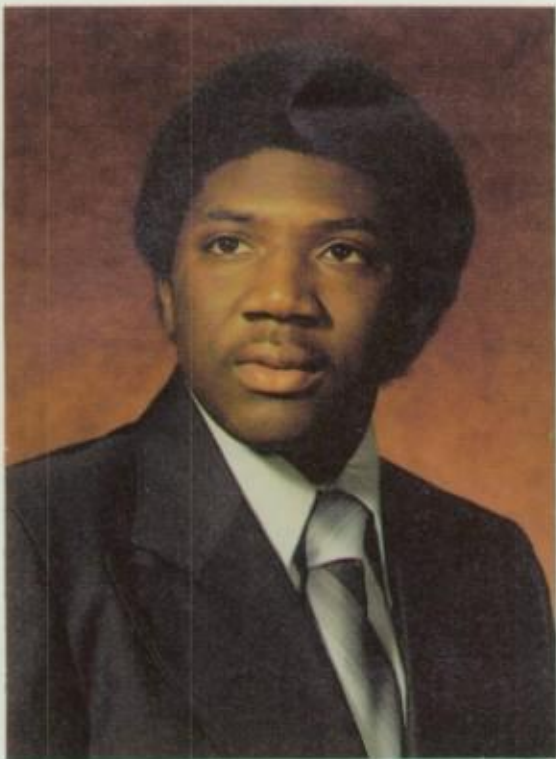
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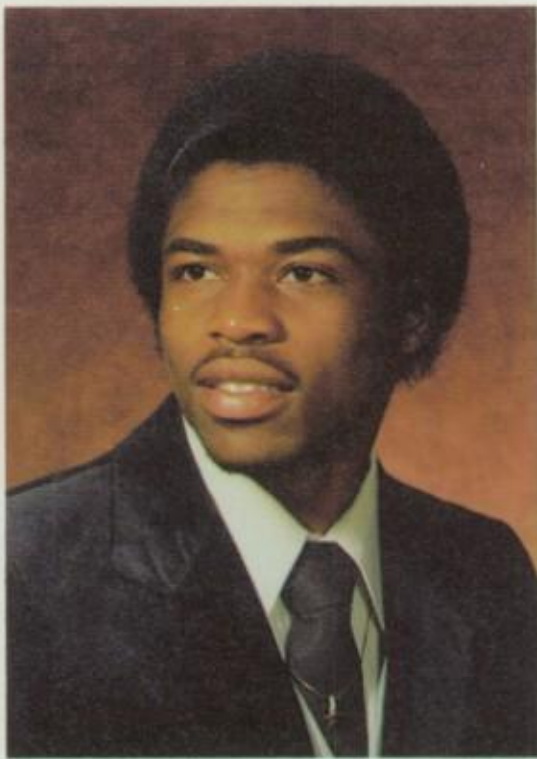
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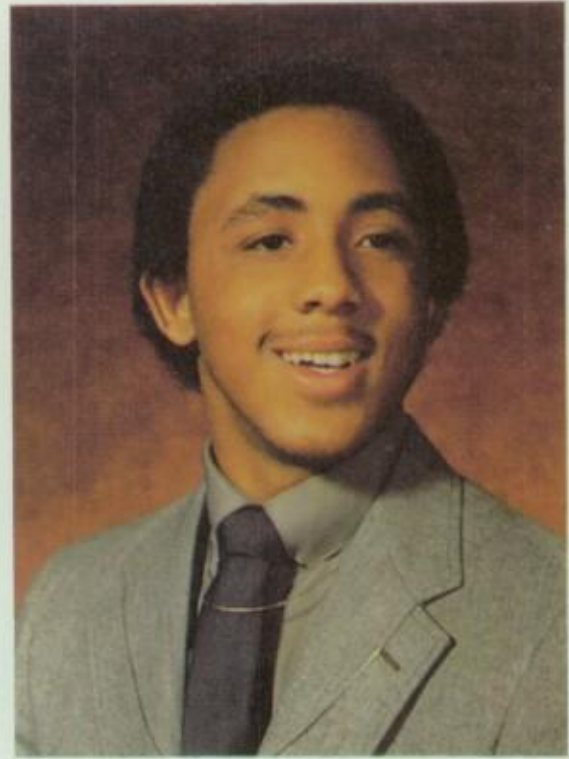
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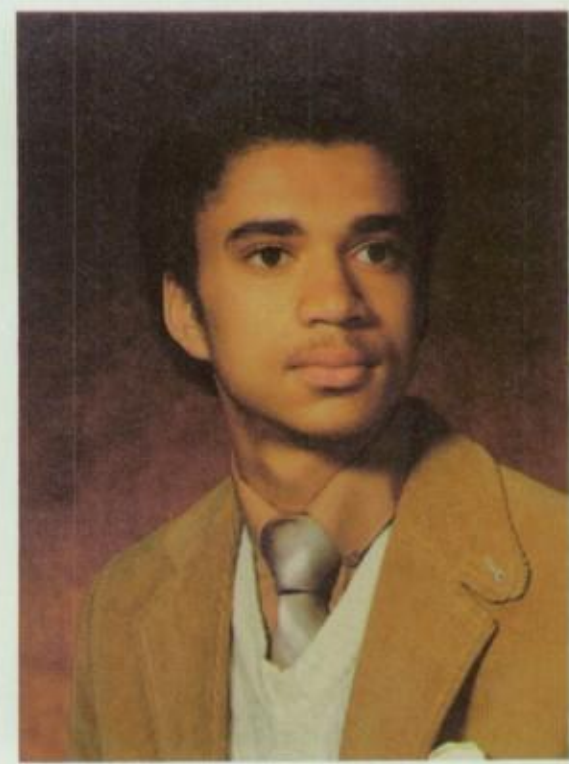
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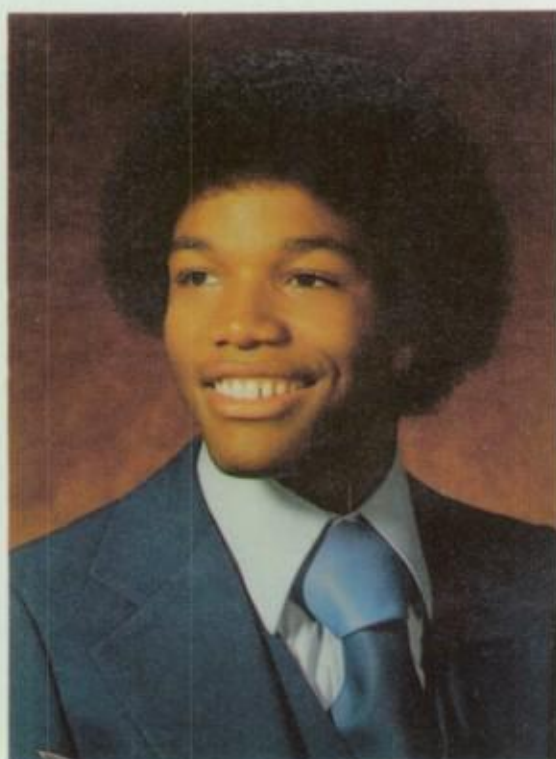
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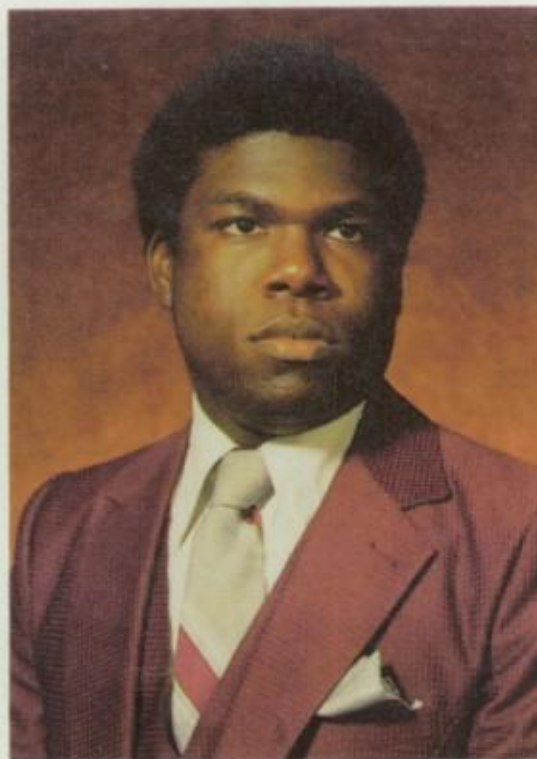
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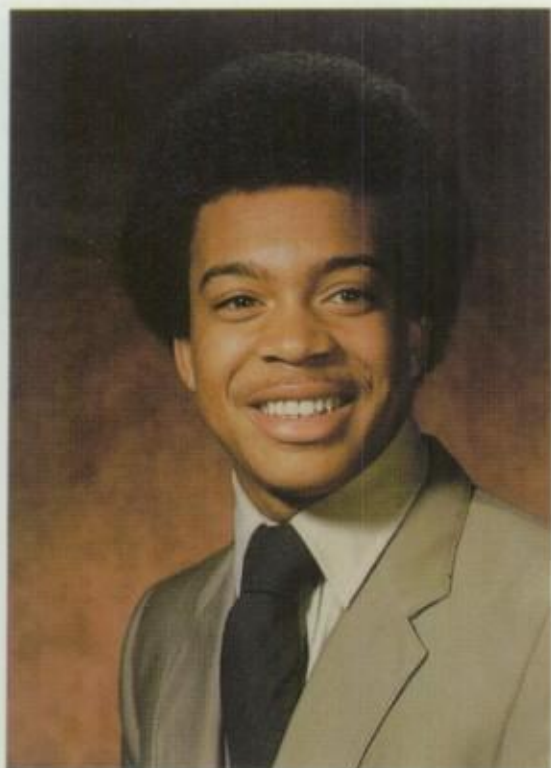
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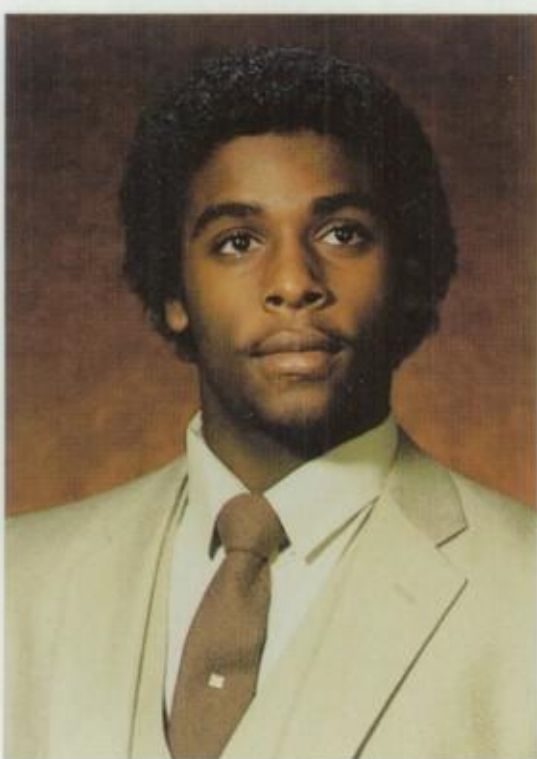
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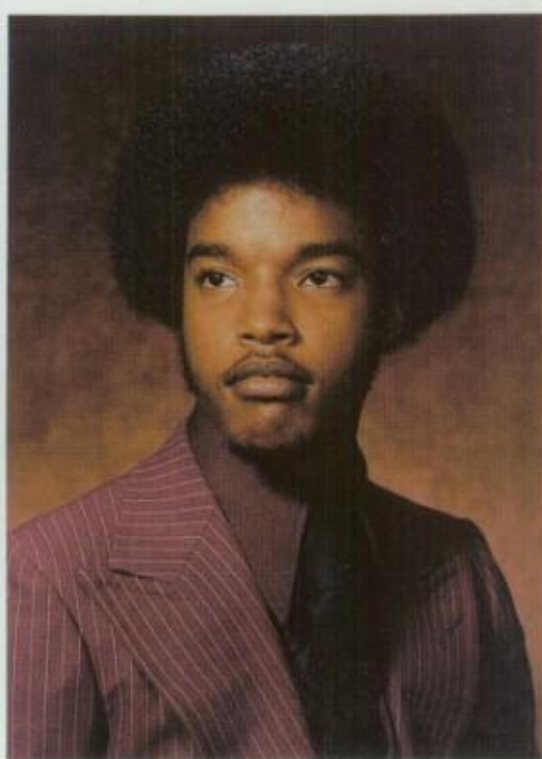
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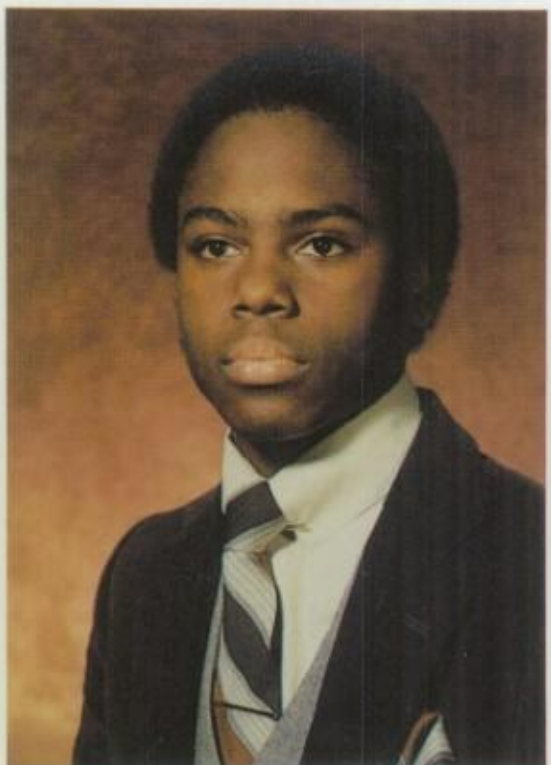
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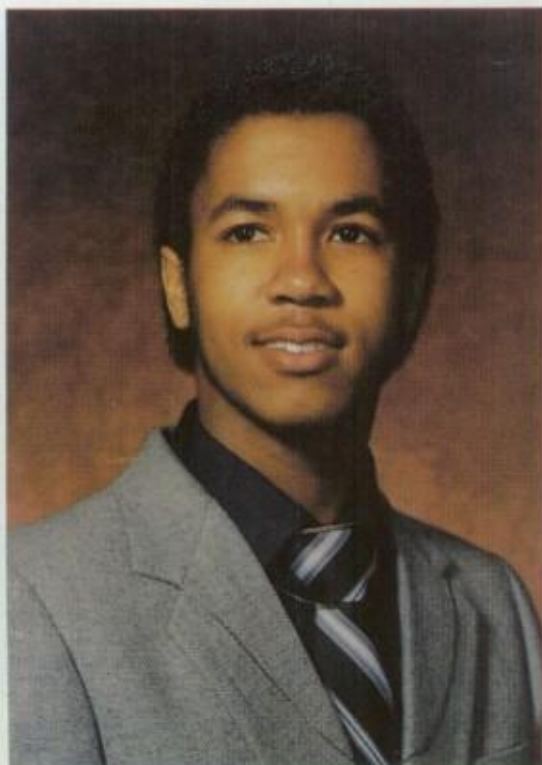
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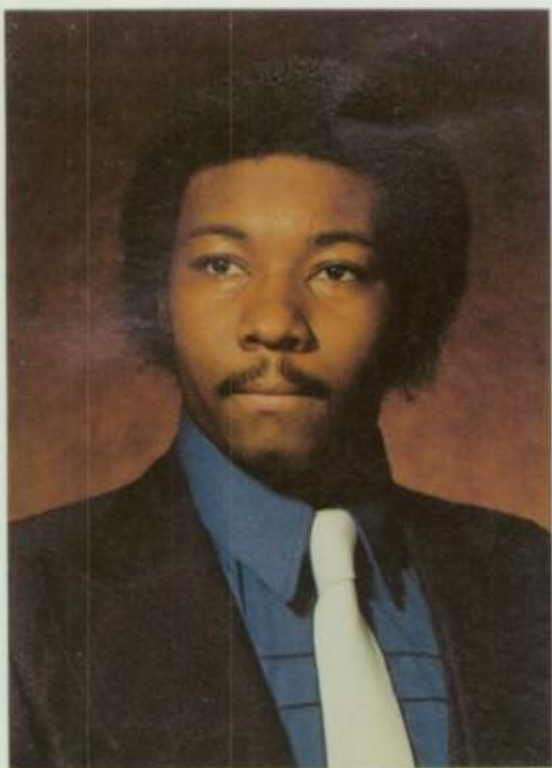
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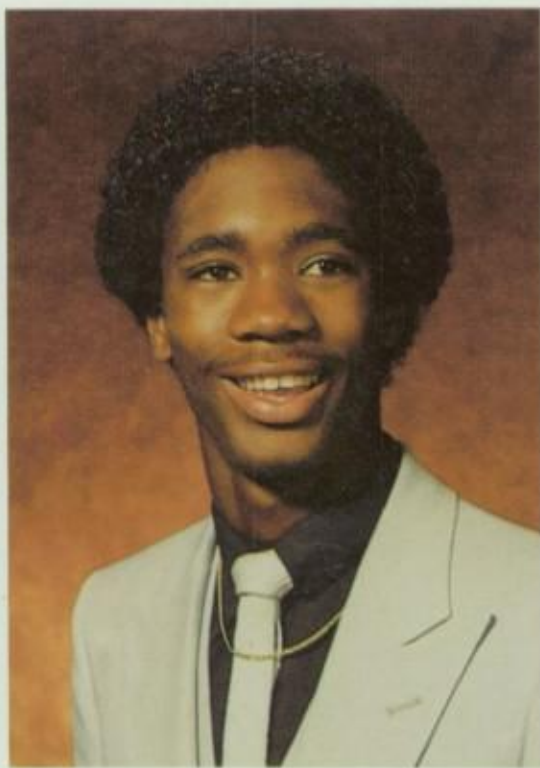
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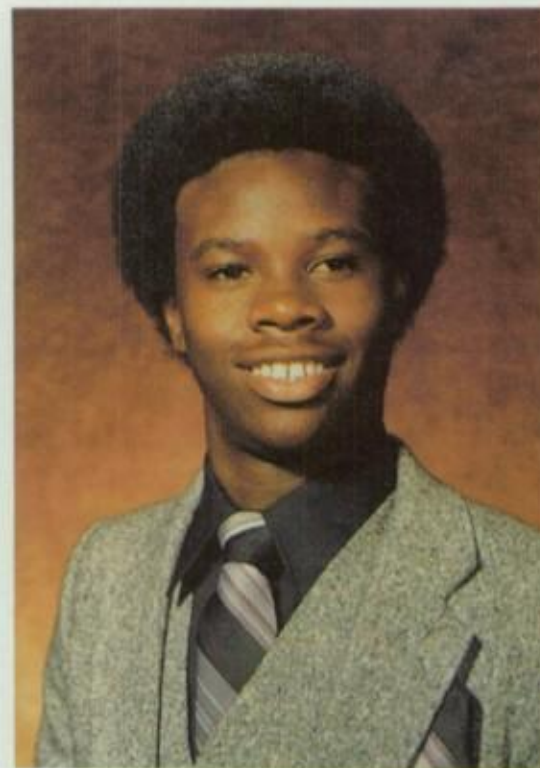
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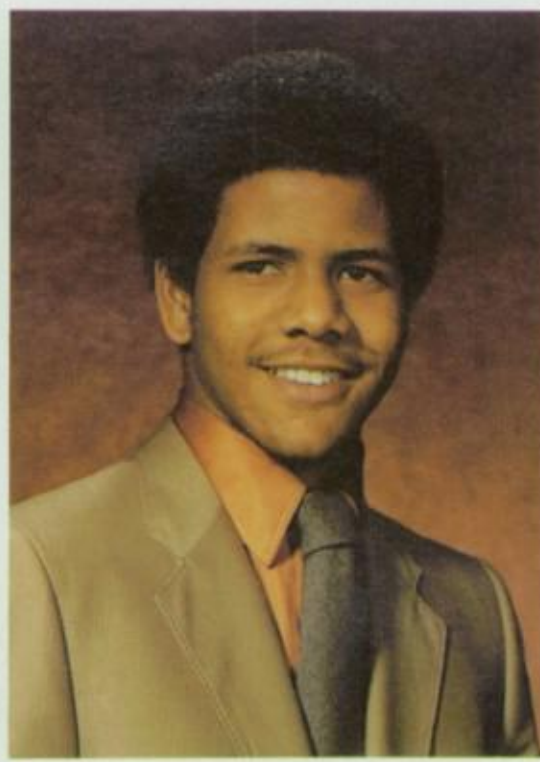
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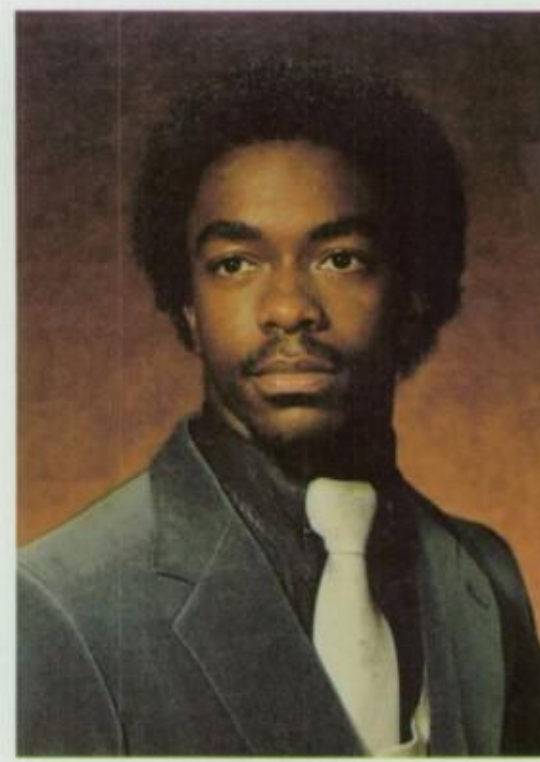
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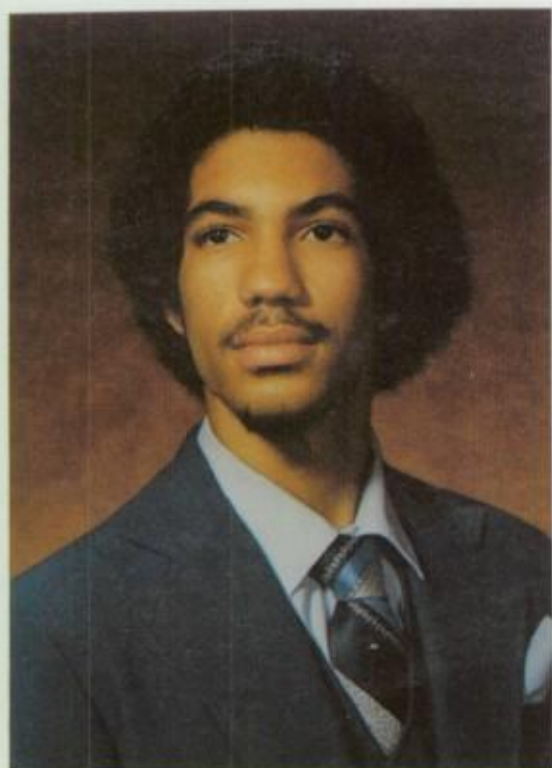
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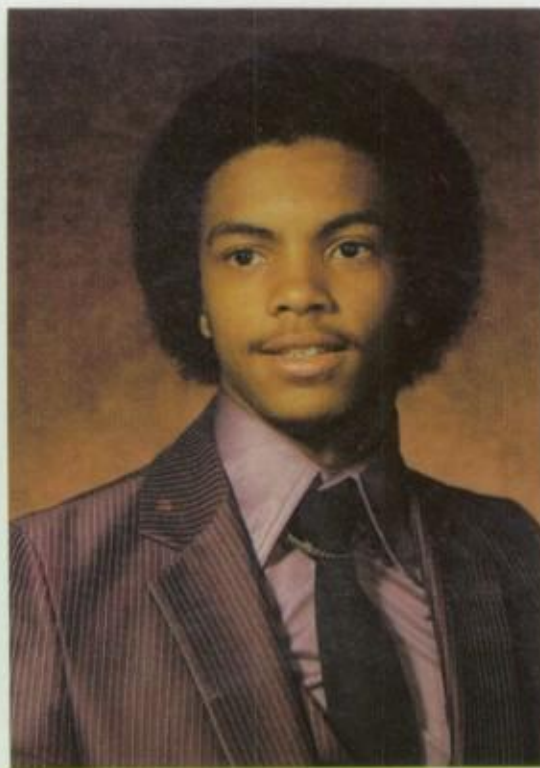
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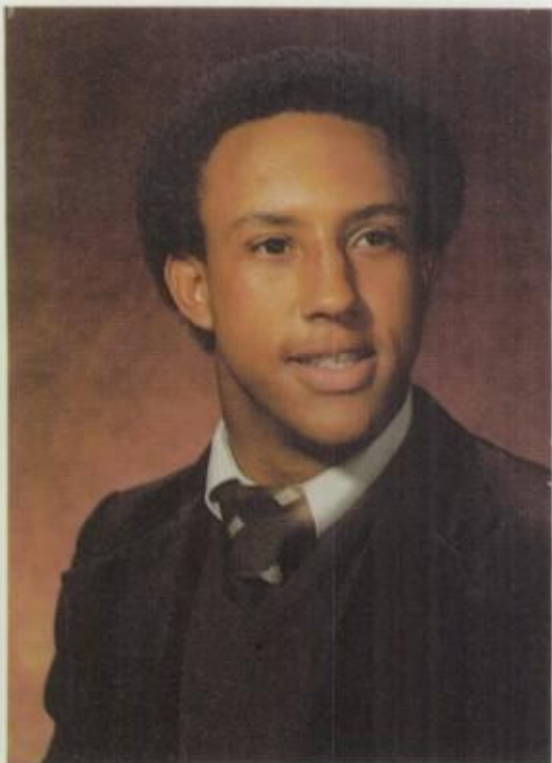
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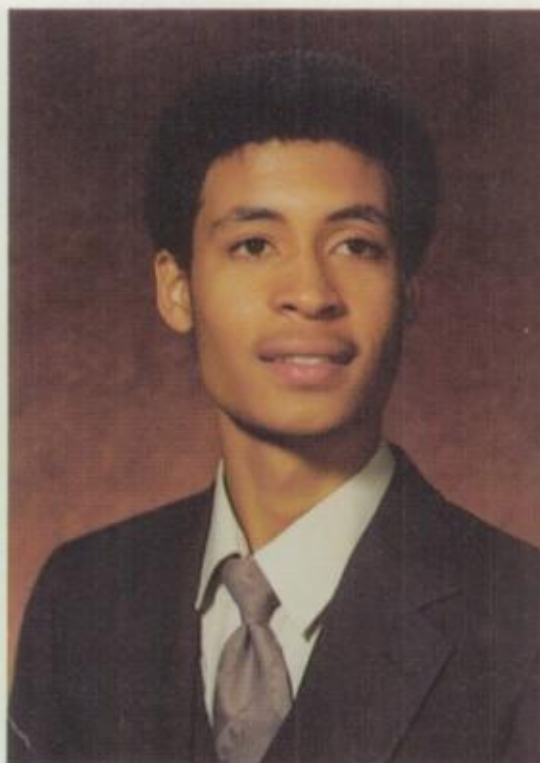
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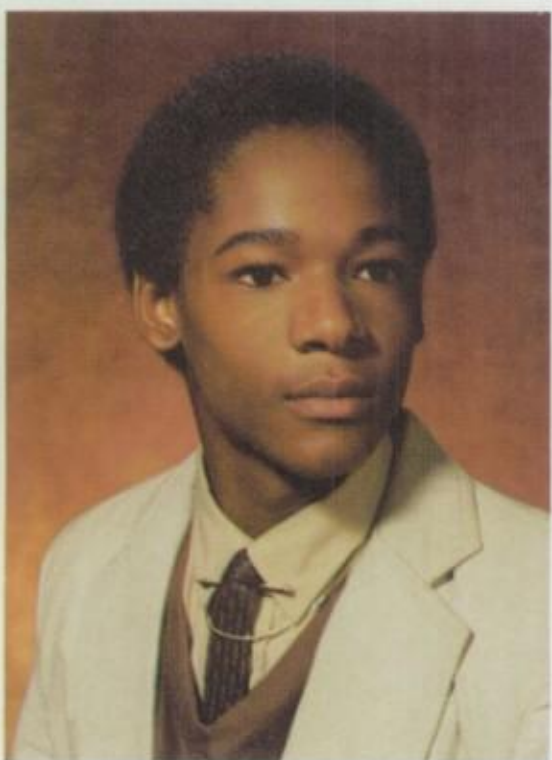
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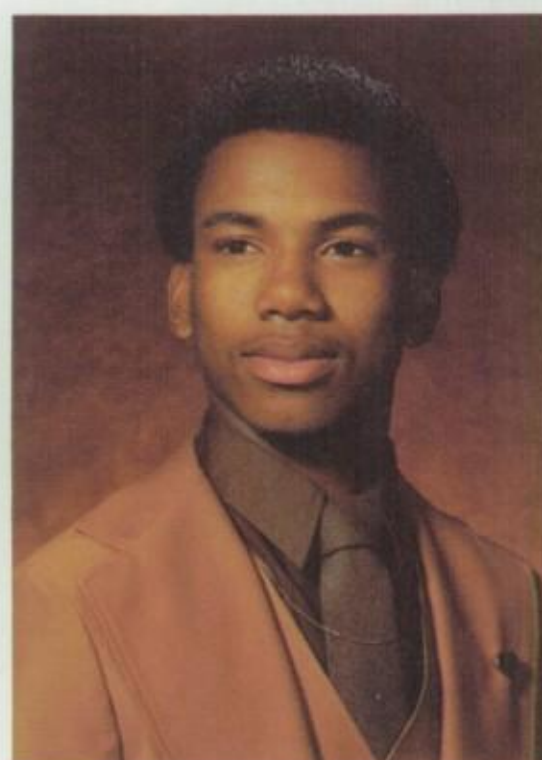
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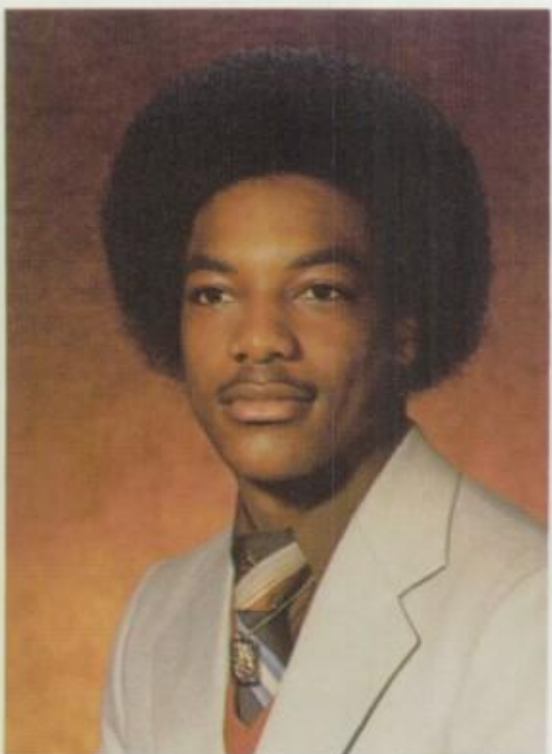
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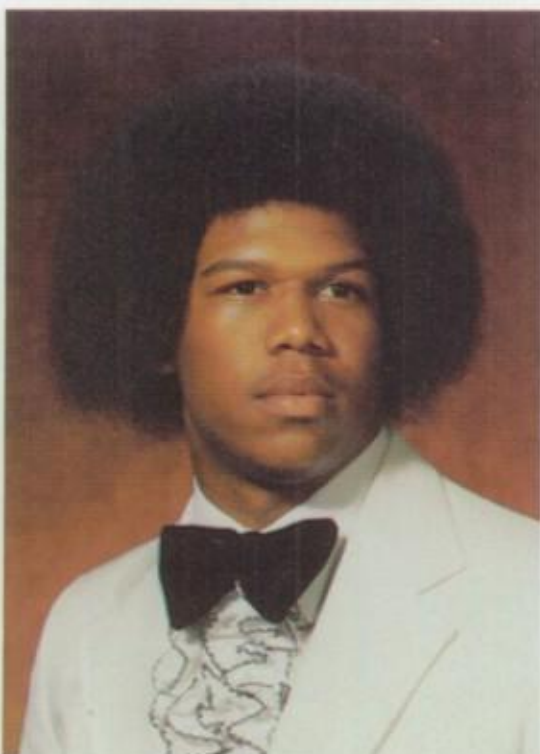
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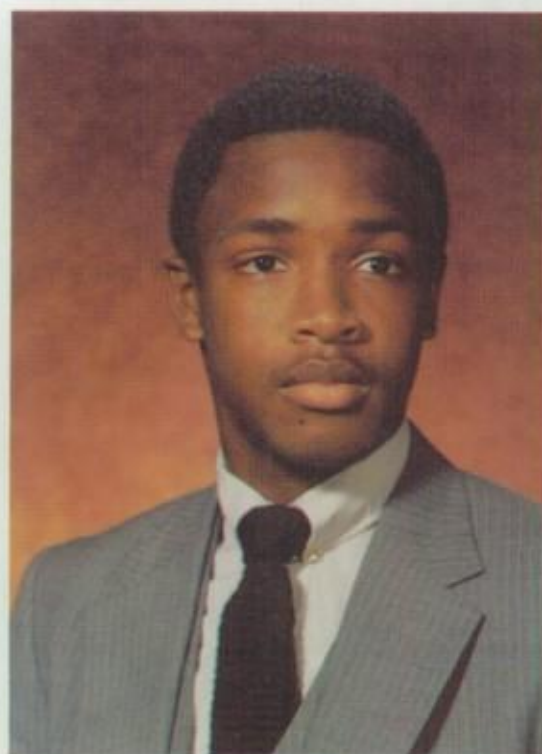
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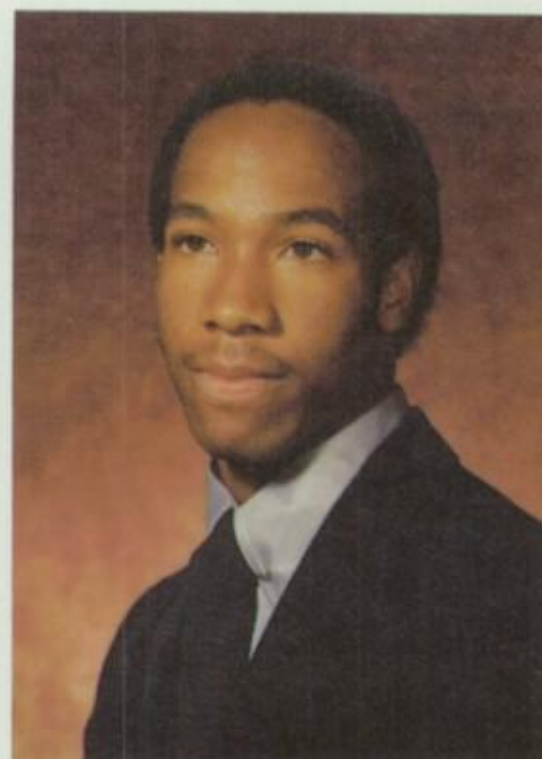
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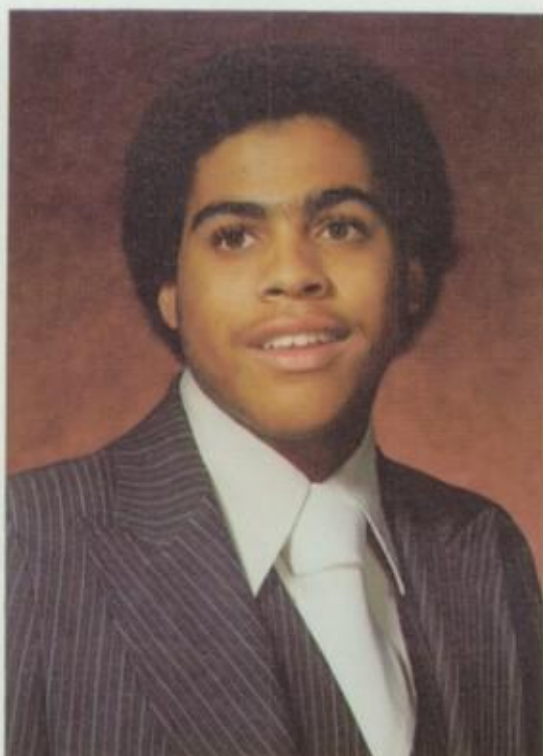
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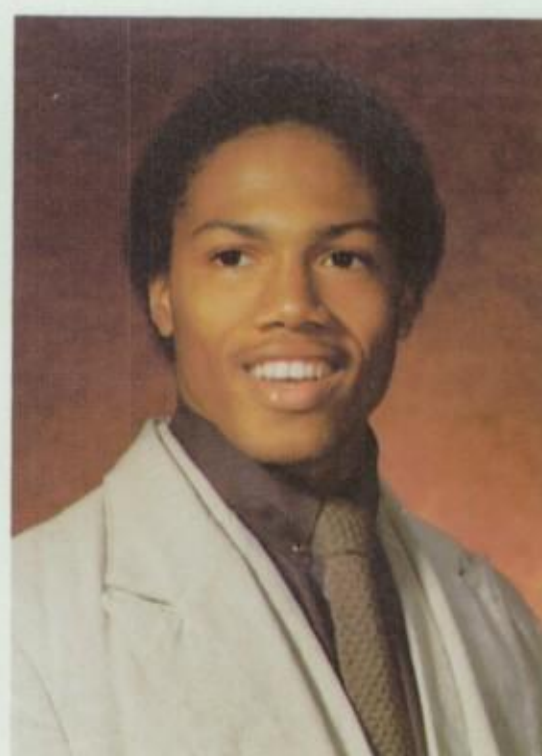
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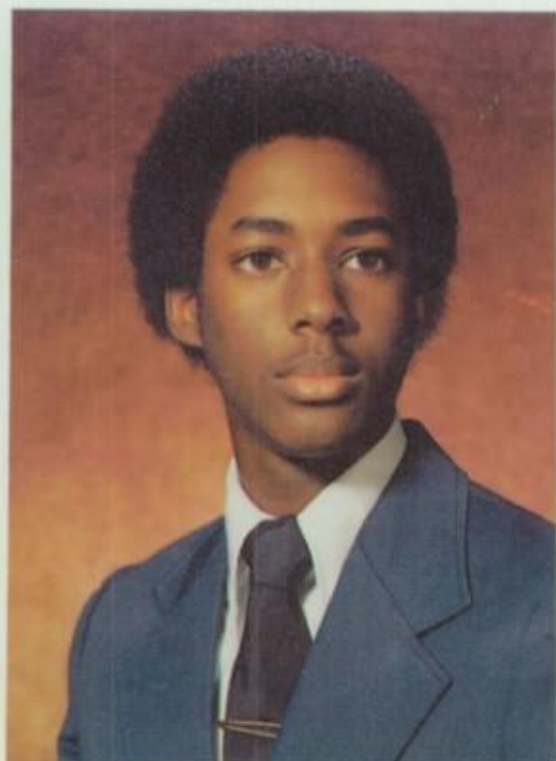
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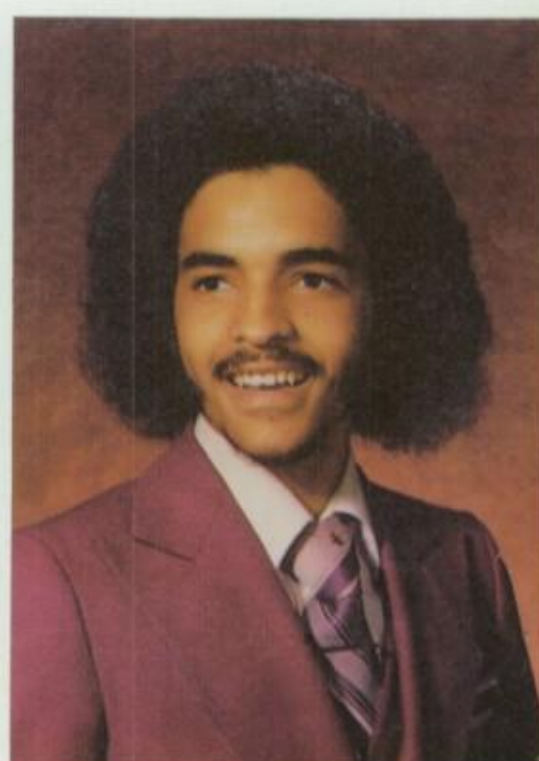
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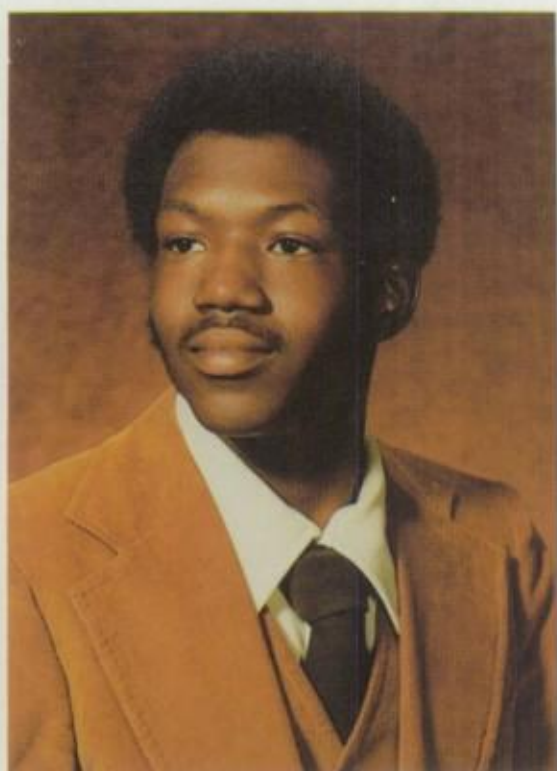
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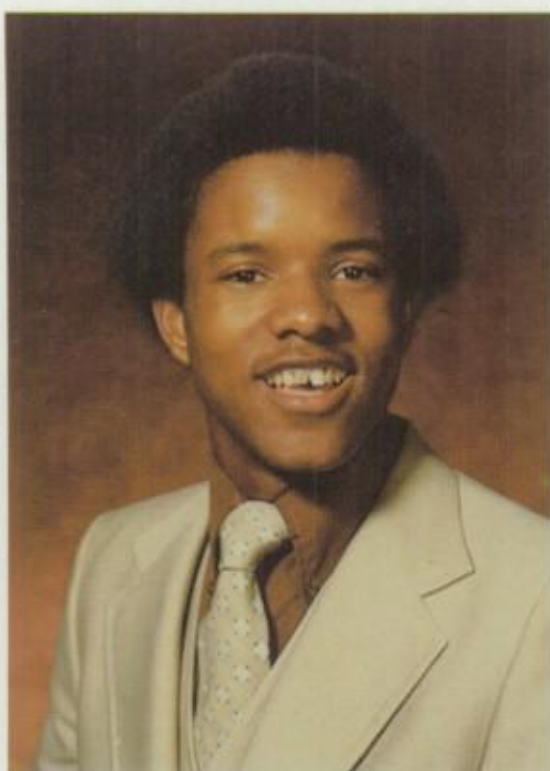
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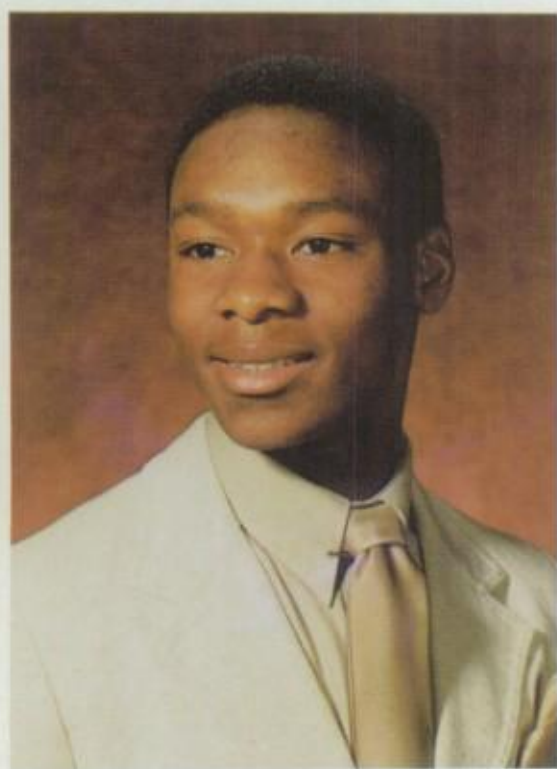
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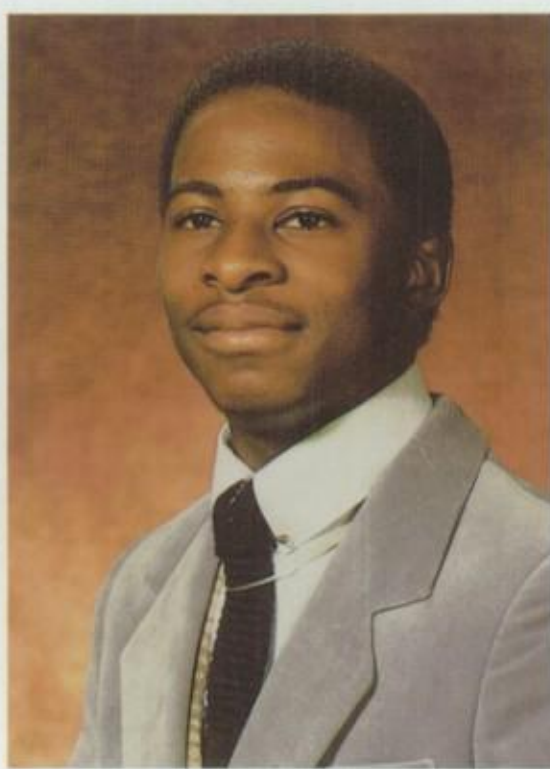
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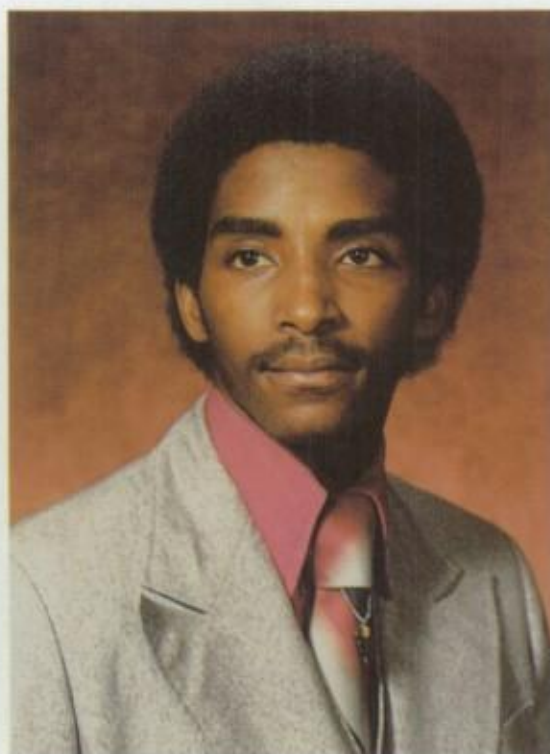
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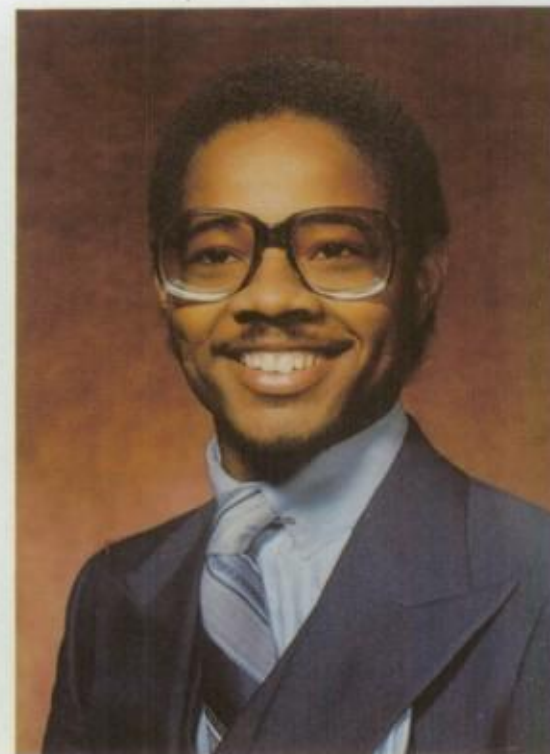
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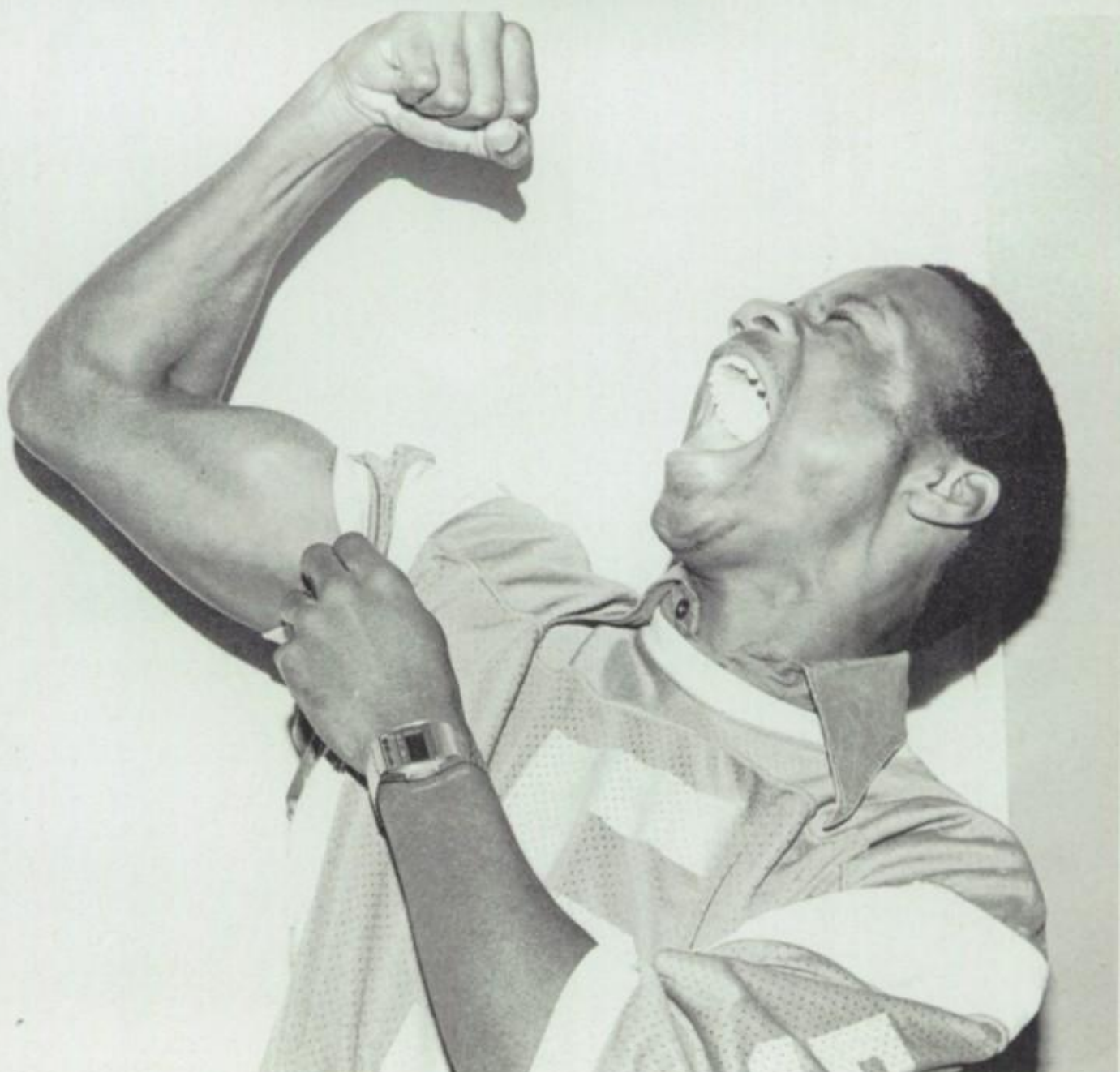


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Ronald Burgers, Cory Williams and
Stan Martin

Steven O'Leary and Medgar Boston

Teddy "Bowzer" Van Buren





Ronald Green, Richard Gwynn, Dence Willis and Mark Davenport enjoy a joke together.

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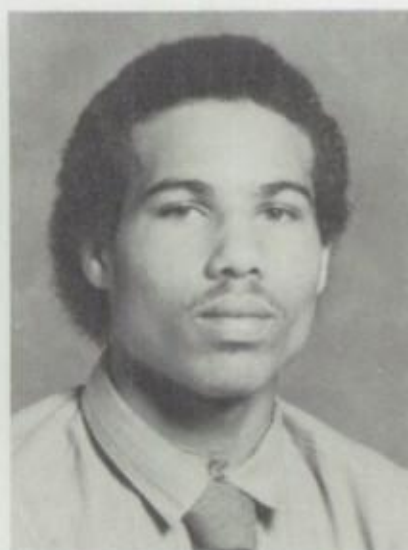
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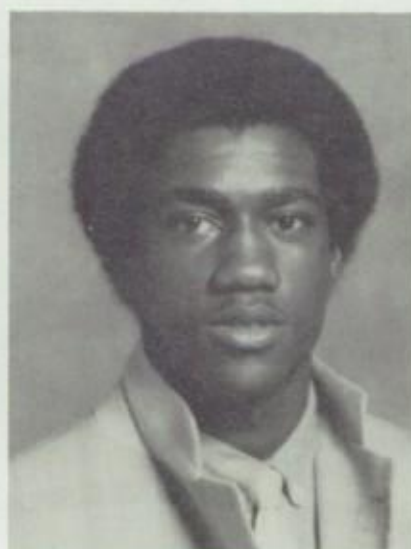
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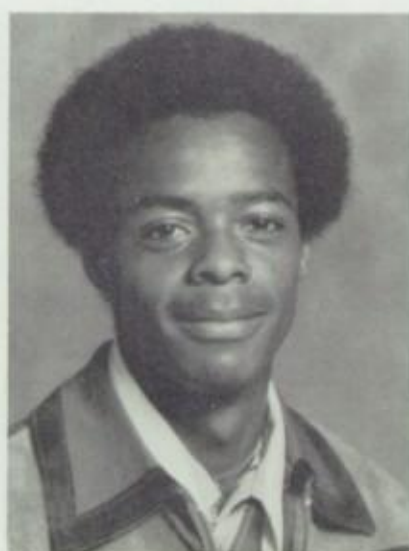
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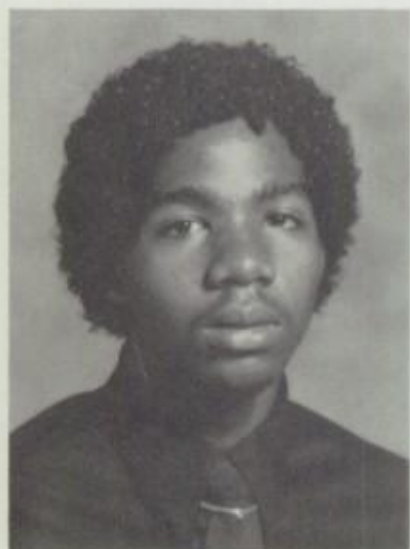
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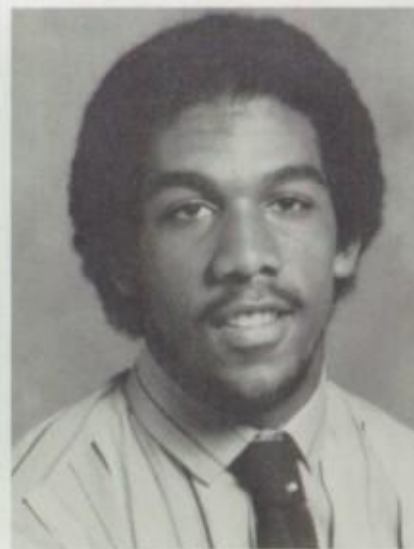
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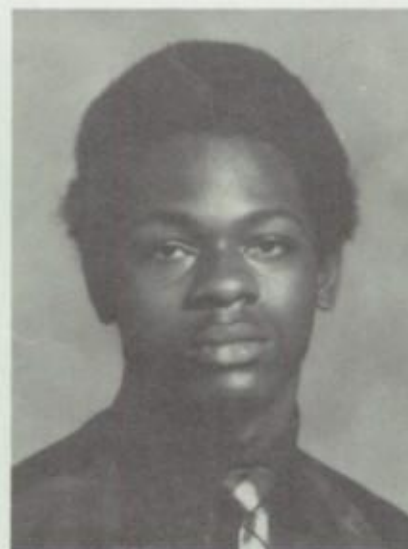
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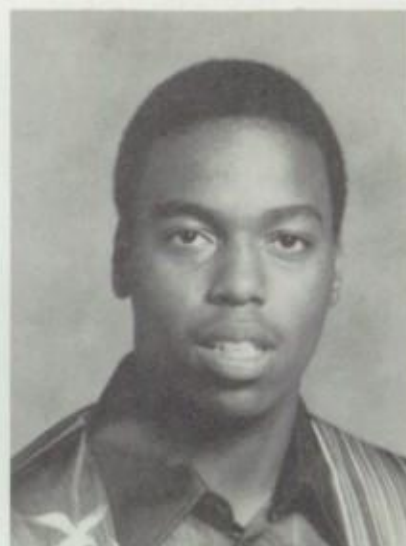
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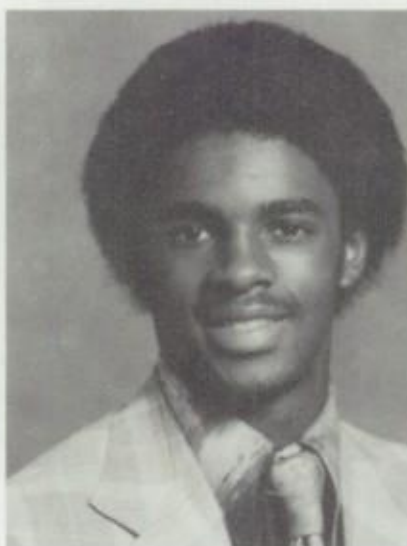
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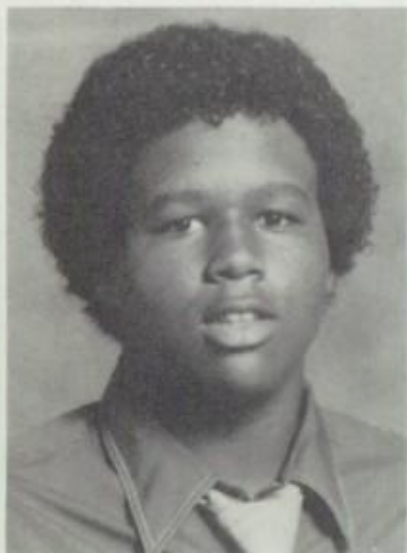


Two cowboys, Lymont Harvey and Alphonso Thomas, prepare to watch a pep rally.



A band of sophomores at the telephone—clownin'.

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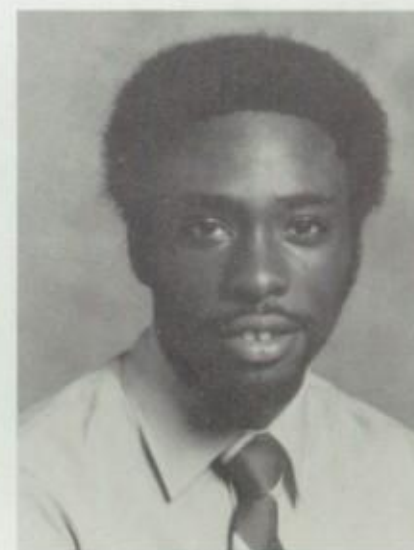
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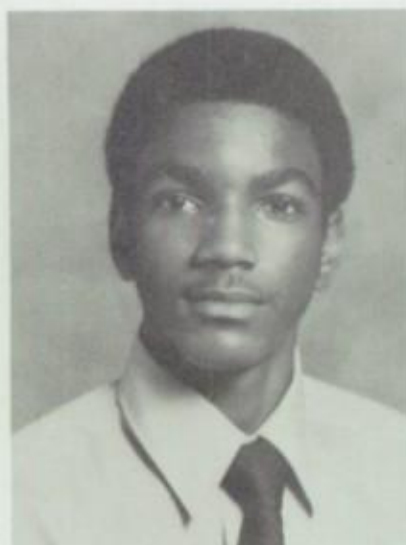
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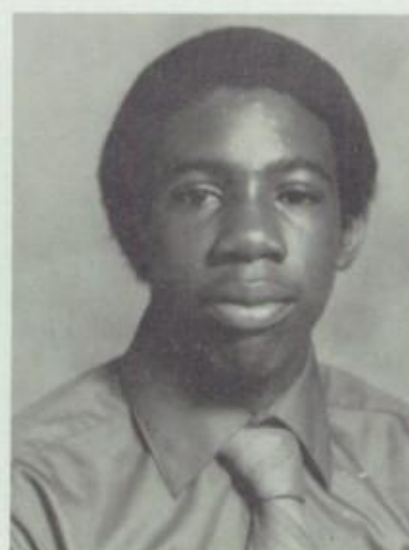
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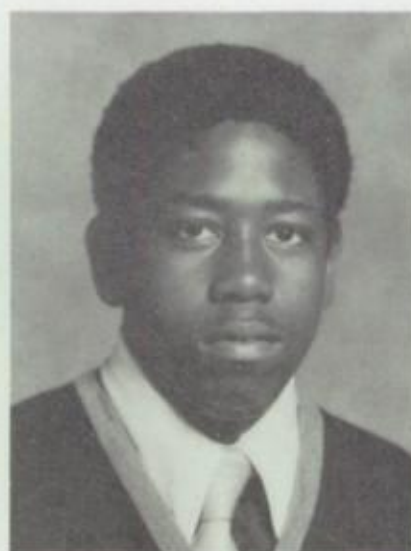
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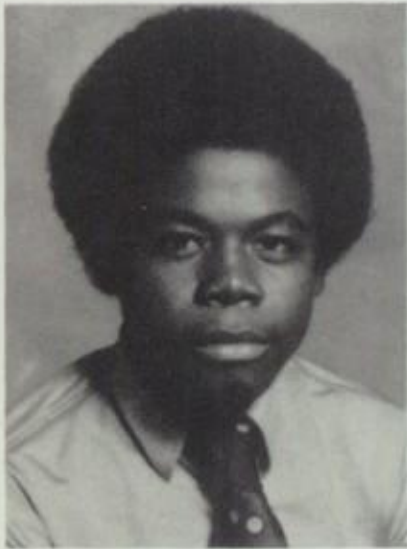
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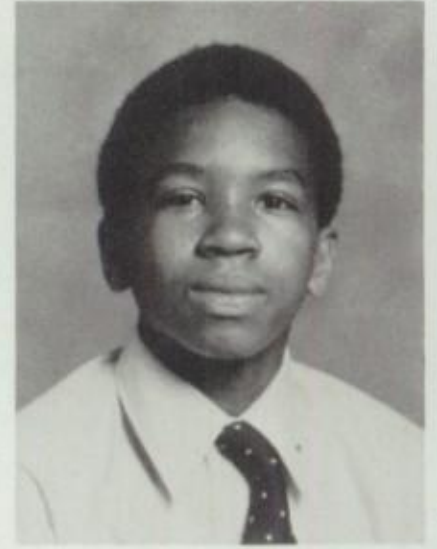
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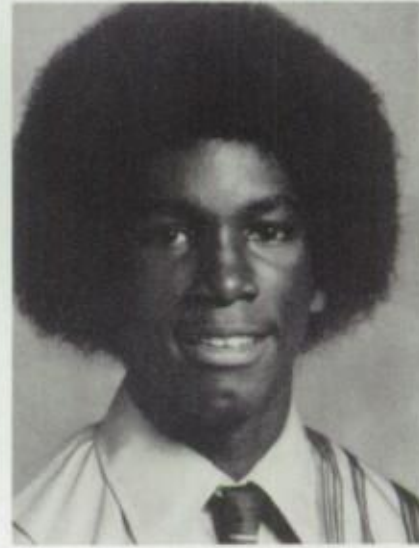
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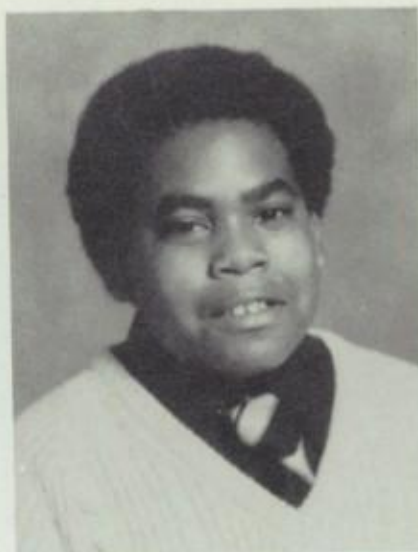
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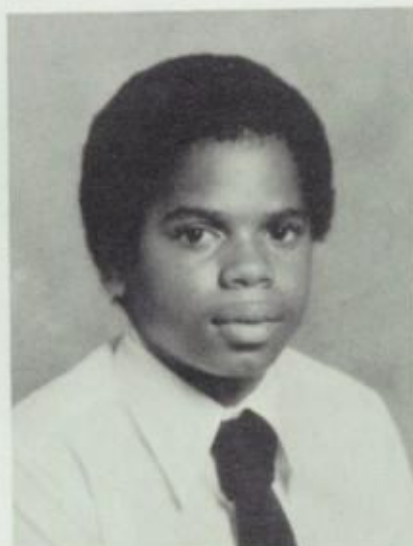
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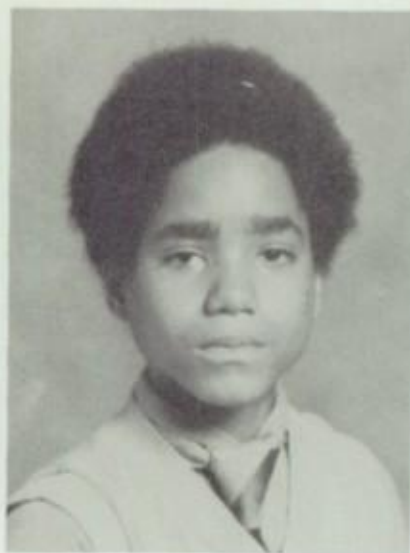
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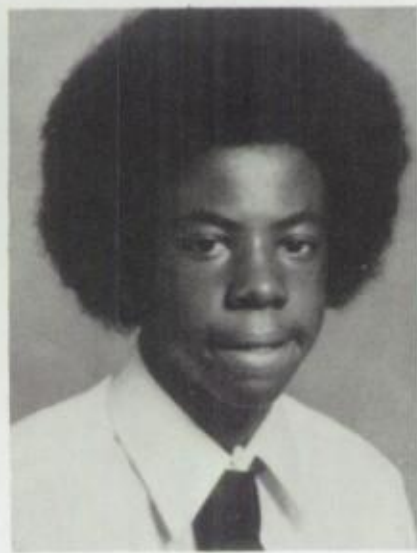
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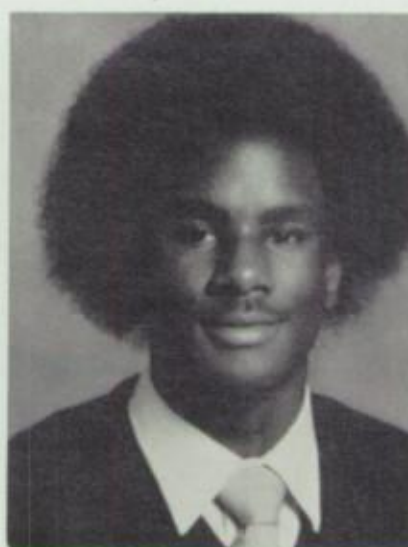
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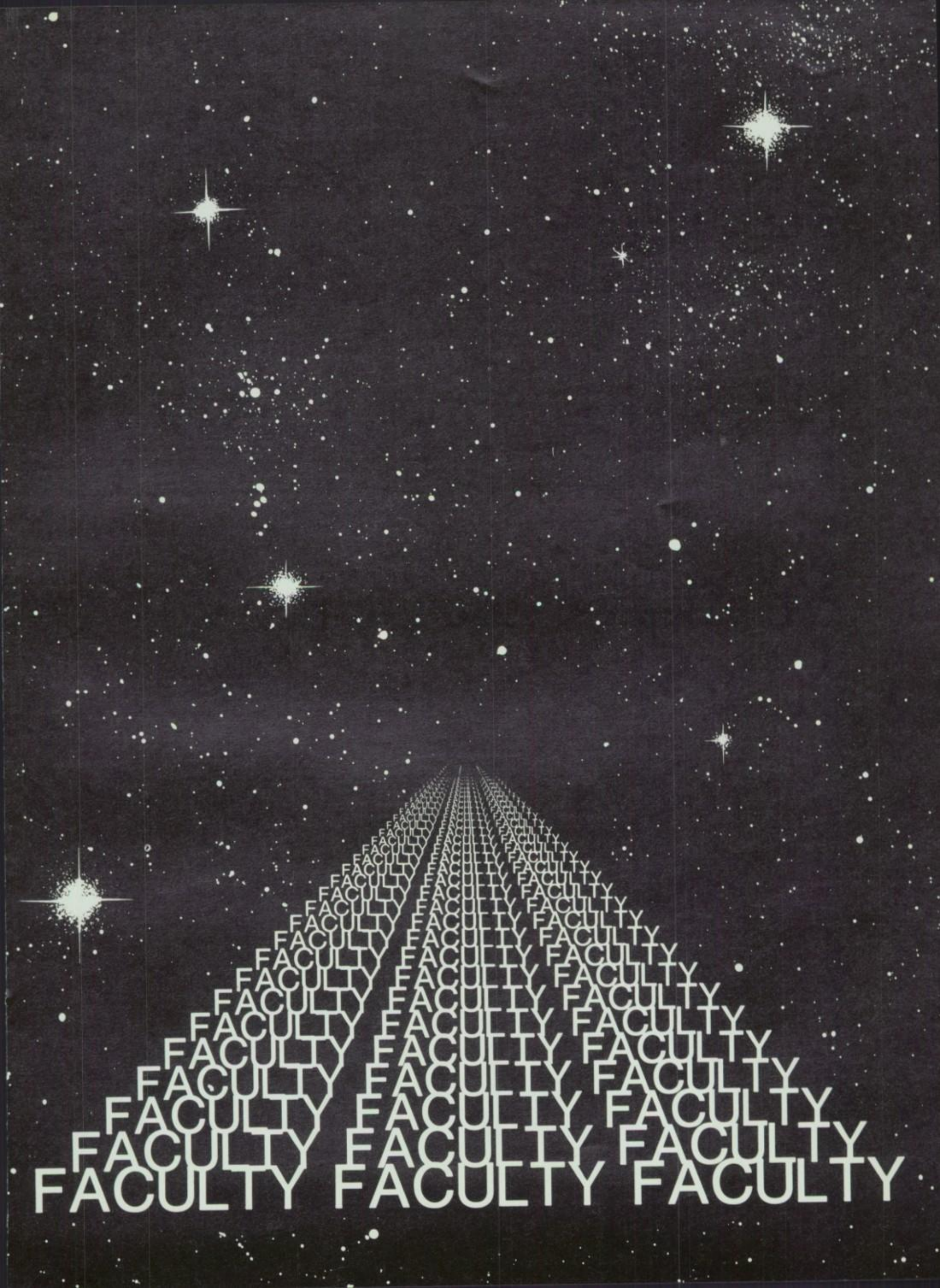
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Fr. Michael Hutchins and Mr. John D'Amico enjoy a moment of laughter together.





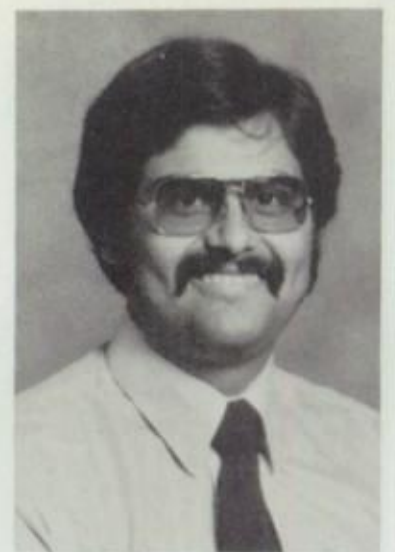
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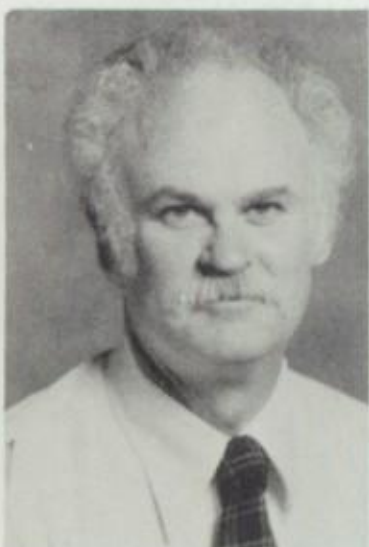
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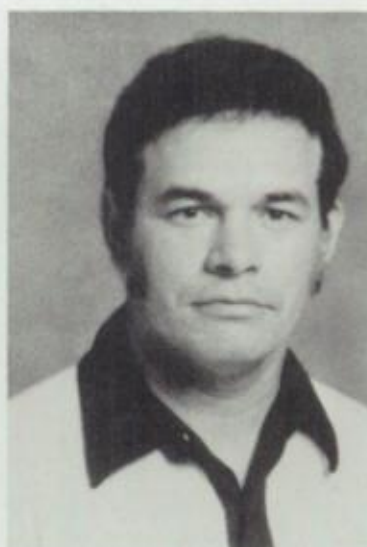
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Mr. C. O'Neill



Mrs. S. Morrow



Mr. P. Morado



Mr. R. Mendoza



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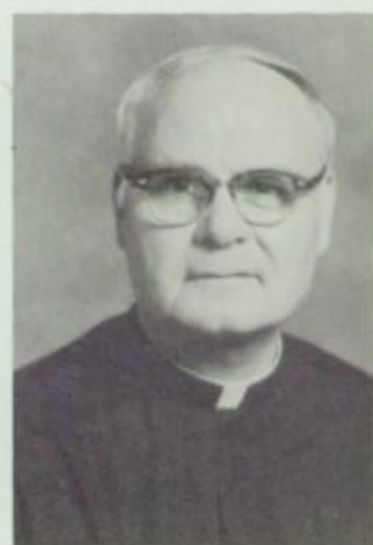
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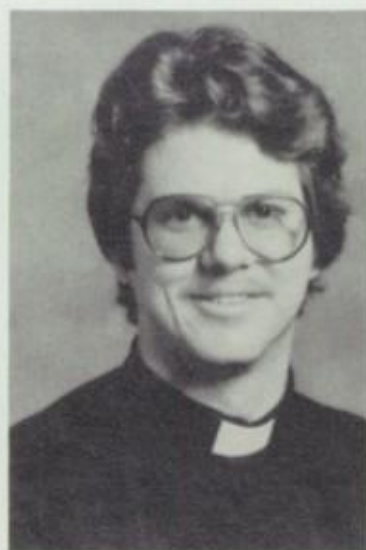
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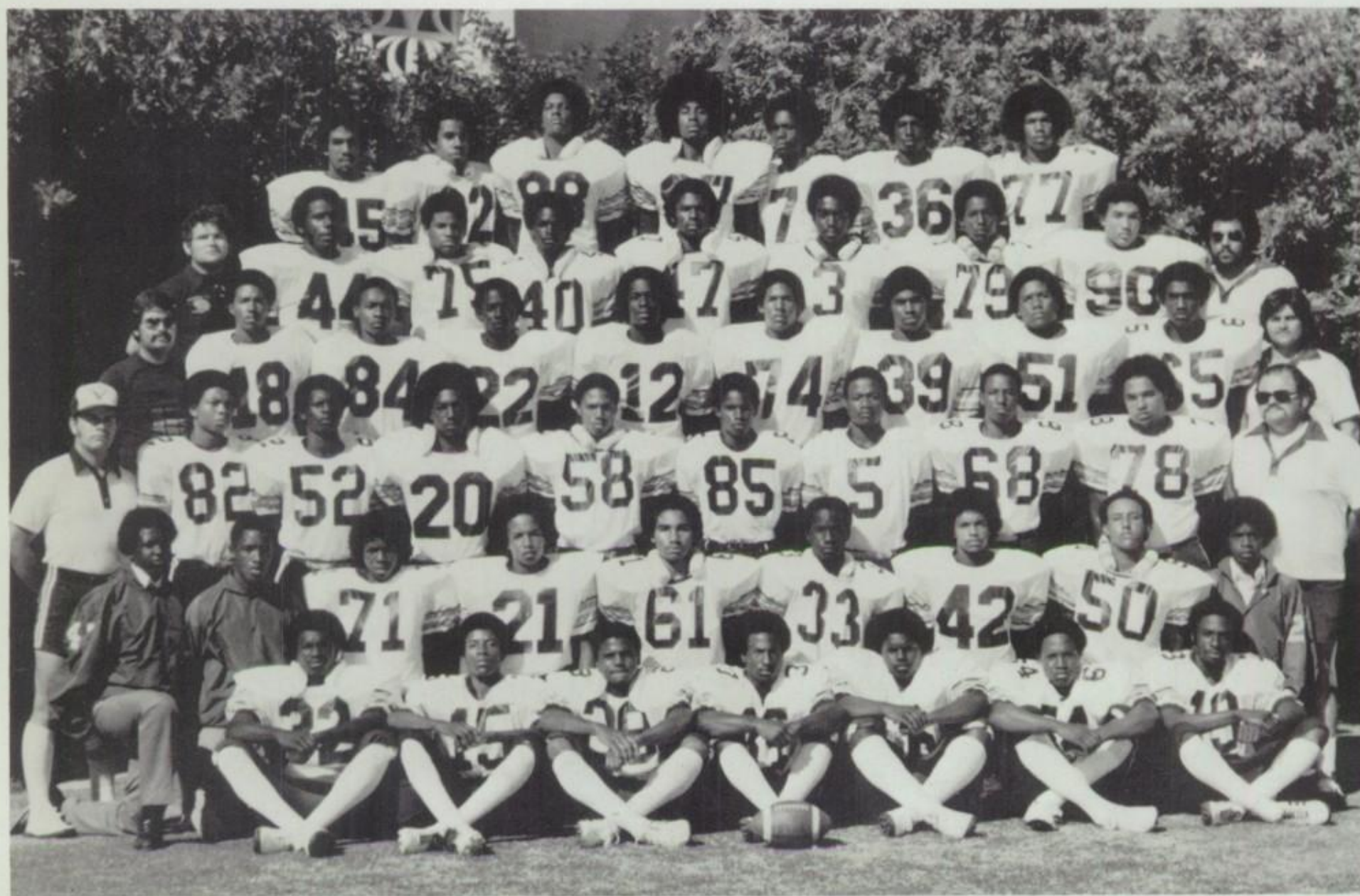


"We're here! Verb is here!"

ATHLETICS



VARSITY EAGLES



Seated: L. Harvey, E. Swain, E. Ware, D. Jackson, S. McCormick M. McCaskill, J. Chappell, Kneeling: Mgr. J. Sparks, Mgr. C. Pruiet, T. Marshall, P. Romain, B. Powell, R. Gwynn, J. McCryndle, A. Mayer, Mgr. R. Christopher, Standing: Coach P. Morado, G. Ballou, A. McGowan, S. Phillips, D. Romain, J. Ford, T. Van Buren, M. Steward, J. Rose, Coach L. Mendoza, 4th Row: Coach E. Chavez, V. Romain, T. Van Buren, A. Thomas, J. Davis, E. LaCour, D. Lawler, C. Richardson, P. Farley, Coach E. Mendoza, 5th Row: Coach B. Mendoza, G. Simonton, R. Williams, R. Banks, D. Booker, J. McBride, H. Nickerson, J. Goins, Coach B. Lewis, 6th Row: B. McIntyre, H. Edison, R. LaBlanc, M. Taylor, C. Jones, E. Allen, A. Poplion.



Coaches Bob Mendoza, Pete Morado, and Lalo Mendoza are talking to Glen Simonton about the next play.



LyMont Harvey is cutting the corner in a sweep.



Calvin Jones talks to the offense in the huddle.



Vincent Romain loses his man in a sharp cut.



Eagles on the attack!



Allan Mayer is about to tackle the running back.

SEASON RECORD 7-5-0

Eagles

0	Muir	46
14	Indio	3
0	Dominguez	13
20	Big Bear	7
21	Cathedral	0
6	St. Anthony	14
40	Murphy	3
27	Salesian	6
18	Mary Star	13
14	Serra	15

C.I.F. PLAYOFF GAMES

20	Ycaipa	14
12	Garey	36

FRESHMEN — SOPHOMORE EAGLES



Seated: S. Smith, B. Smith, C. Pennick, J. Ashby, L. Christopher, R. Romain, C. Singleton, Kneeling: E. White, K. Stewart, D. Hartley, L. Biffle, B. Prince, B. Frank, A. Romain, T. Dees, Standing: Mgr. D. Bryant, K. Jelks, B. Hilt, S. Anderson, R. Barron, D. Black, K. Ford, J. Young, Coach D. Burton. 4th Row: Coach P. Henry, V. Jones, S. Venerable, D. Thomas, P. Williams, D. Stallworth, K. Knox, J. Dupree, T. Norman, Coach G. Mayer. 5th Row: B. Jones, C. Cross, D. Craver, R. Hart, P. Daniel, J. Johnson, P. Davis, 6th Row: J. Berry, C. Brown, C. Haynes, K. Momon, K. Bryant, B. Hackney.



Ervin White breaks for the left side.

D. Hartley, B. Prince, T. Dees, J. Campbell, B. Hilt, L. Christopher, J. Young, and T. Norman celebrate on the side line during the Mary Star championship game.





Kyle Momon goes in to attack the quarterback.



Kevin Ford, Andre Romain, and Michael Dupree show mixed emotions during halftime.

SEASON RECORD 10-1-0

Eagles

30	Muir	0
8	Indio	6
18	Dominguez	6
12	Big Bear	18
6	Cathedral	0
15	Willowbrook	8
10	St. Anthony	0
41	Murphy	0
26	Salesian	0
28	Mary Star	0
1	Serra	0



Ervin White catches a pass from Kip Brown.



Vincent Wooden breaks tackle and moves toward the goal line.

VARSITY EAGLES



E. Massey, R. Townsend, D. Neal, A. Hamilton, R. Robinson, D. Brown, J. Adams, B. Williams, Kneeling: C. Richardson, E. Watkins, and M. McCall. Below: Clarence Richardson soars high to score two points for the Eagles.





Jeremiah Adams makes a lay-up shot against Atlantic City. Verbum Dei was invited to the Seagull Classic in Absecon, N.J., during Christmas vacation.



Richard Townsend makes the score against Carson.

"We're winning. Just keep it up!"





Eric Massey jams a slam-dunk against the Saints.

Donald Brown scores with a lay-up against Serra.



JUNIOR VARSITY EAGLES



Coach Don Fields, C. Haynes, R. Brown, C. Brown, J. Houston, K. Montielh, P. Knight, V. Romain, D. Guidry, E. Scott, L. Franklin, J. Carter, R. Shaw, and C. Collins. Below: Patrick Knight scores two points during the first game of the season.





Richard Brown gettin' down.



Kevin Montielh displays his jump shot on the Murphy court.



Ryan Shaw shows his awesome slam dunk!

FRESHMAN EAGLES



T. Greenwood, P. Daniel, M. McPheon, J. Doyle, C. Jefferson, K. Hocker, R. Owens, T. Williams, B. Keeton, J. Campbell, R. Wright, P. Brukhalter, Coach E. Mendoza, R. Whitfield, Coach L. Ramirez, and R. Smith. Below: Billy Keeton takes a jump shot. Reginald Wright shoots for two against the Stars.





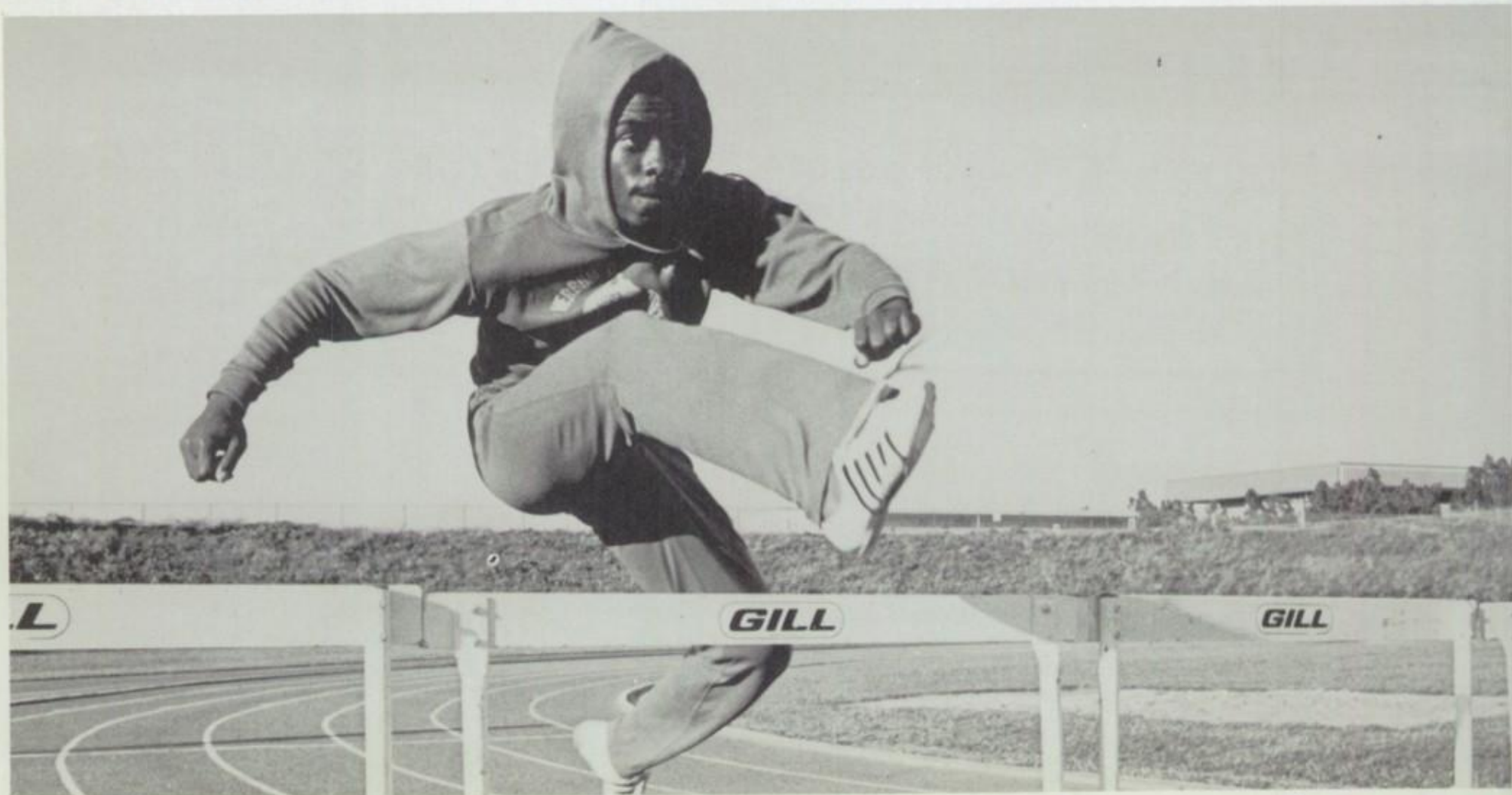
Roderick Whitfield takes a jump shot from the key. Coach Elio gives the freshman team a pep talk during a time-out. Kurt Hocker makes a determined lay-up against Serra.



VARSITY TRACK



Kneeling: (l to r) J. McCryndle, C. Pruiet, L. Harvey, J. McBride, B. Parks, M. Williams. Standing: Coach D. Burton, T. Scranton, G. Hamilton, G. Simonton, E. Watkins, R. Williams, D. Willis, S. Revis, R. Gwynn, M. Stewart, W. Hodges, C. Ridley, B. McIntyre, E. LaCour, C. Collins, R. Burgers, B. Powell and Coach L. Mendoza. Below: Julius McBride practices for his race - the high hurdles.





Richard Gwynn prepares to throw the shot-put!

William Rutledge easily clears the high jump bar.

Saint Bernard's men strain to keep pace with Glenn Simonton and Jimmy McCryndle.



FRESHMAN-SOPHOMORE TRACK

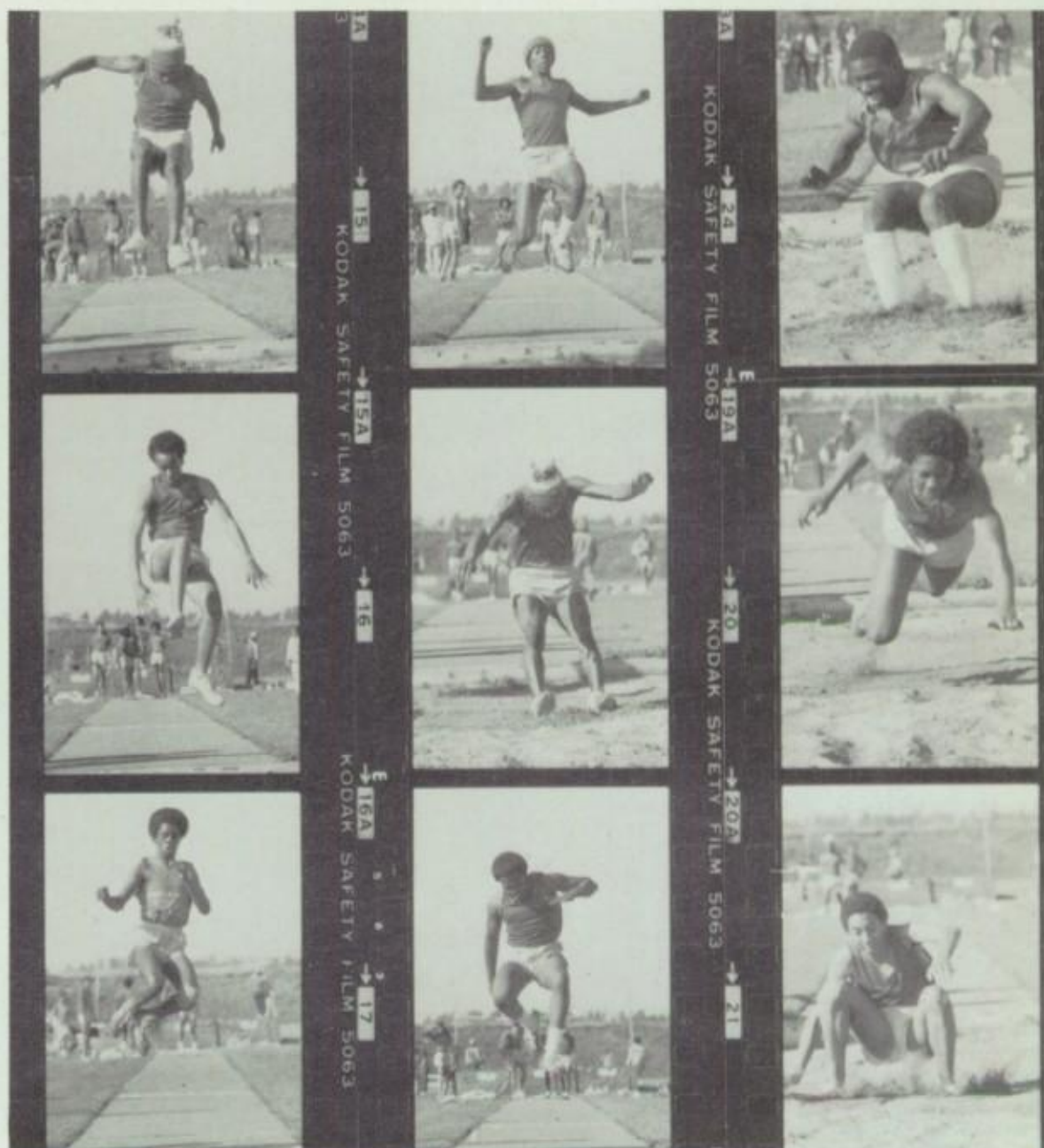


Kneeling: (l. to r.) D. Stallworth, E. Swain, J. Ashby, J. Lewis, D. Hartley, B. Frank, L. Reyes. Standing: Coach D. Burton, G. Hamilton, J. Johnson, K. Hocker, D. Thomas, S. Roland, L. Cowart, J. Chappell, T. Stewart, D. Dorsey, S. Venerable, M. McCaskill, J. Goins, T. Marshall, V. Wooden, B. Hackney, H. Nickerson, J. Doyle, and Coach L. Mendoza. Below: Kip Stewart leads the relay men to victory.





John Lewis



Many forms of the long jump.

Troy Marshall and Hardy Nickerson sail high above the hurdles.



VARSITY SOCCER



Seated: Todd Dees and Brian Powell. Kneeling from left: Louis Reyes, Ronald Clarke, Carl Bibbs, Elliott Walker, Jeffrey Bernardez, Kerry Jelks, Ray Hall. Standing: Rodney Lister, Victor McClinton, Kevin Jelks, Martin Pastor, Jamal Clutchett, Darren Frank, John Flowers and Coach Ernie Chavez. Below left: Victor McClinton. Right: Coach Ernie Chavez talks with the team.



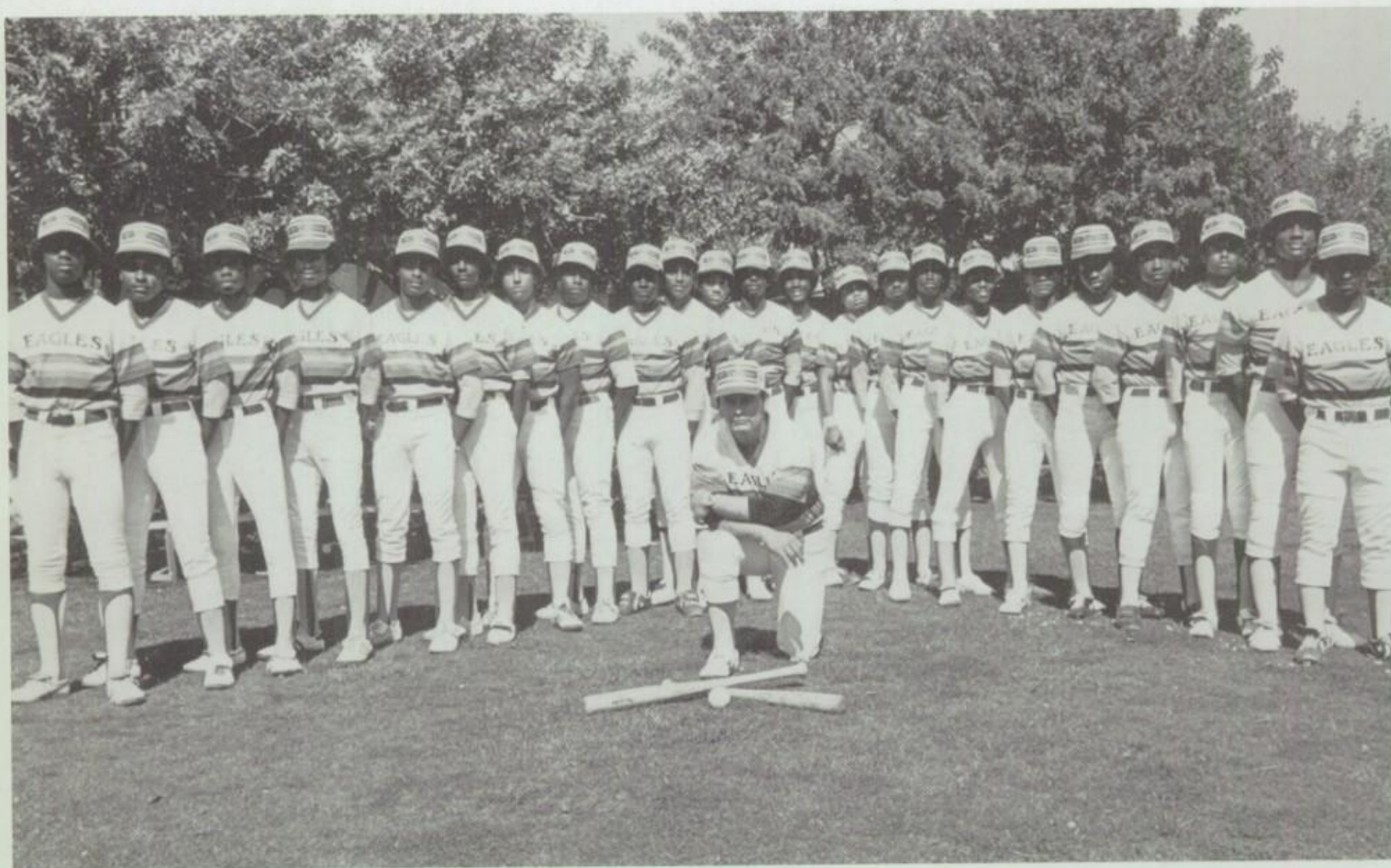


Martin Pastor goes for a score.

Darren Frank passes the ball with ease.

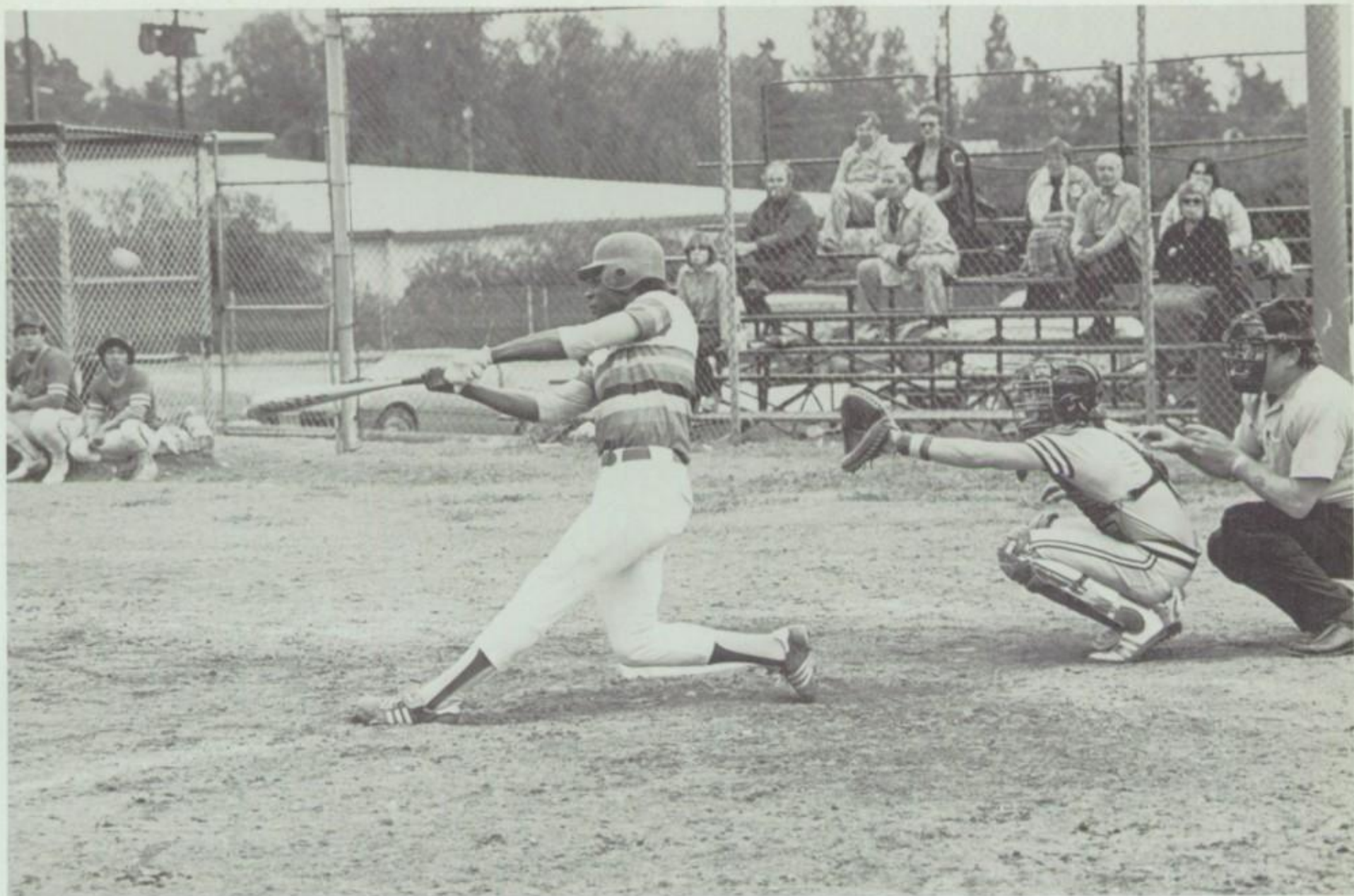


VARSITY BASEBALL



Left to right: C. Poplion, T. McMillian, L. Douglas, T. Glover, R. Green, D. Frank, A. Mayer, D. Henderson, A. Thomas, P. Davis, D. Forte, E. Allen, C. Jones, G. Ballou, B. Holland, R. Banks, M. Anderson, J. Clutchett, G. Ford, J. Butler, M. Barnes, R. Powers, D. Jackson and Coach P. Morado. Below left: Ronald Green catches a fly ball in center field. Right: Nancy Anderson makes the tag at home plate.

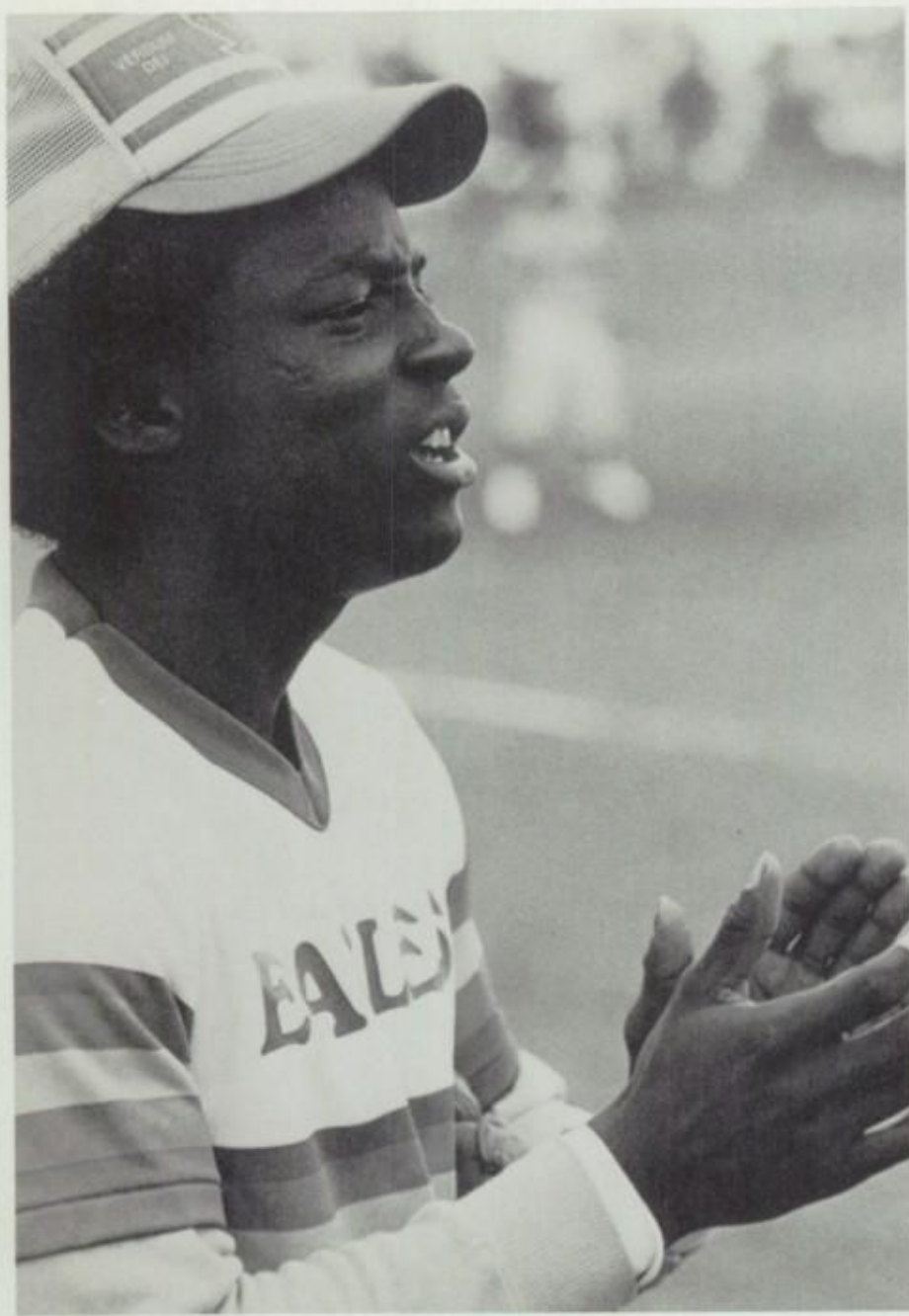




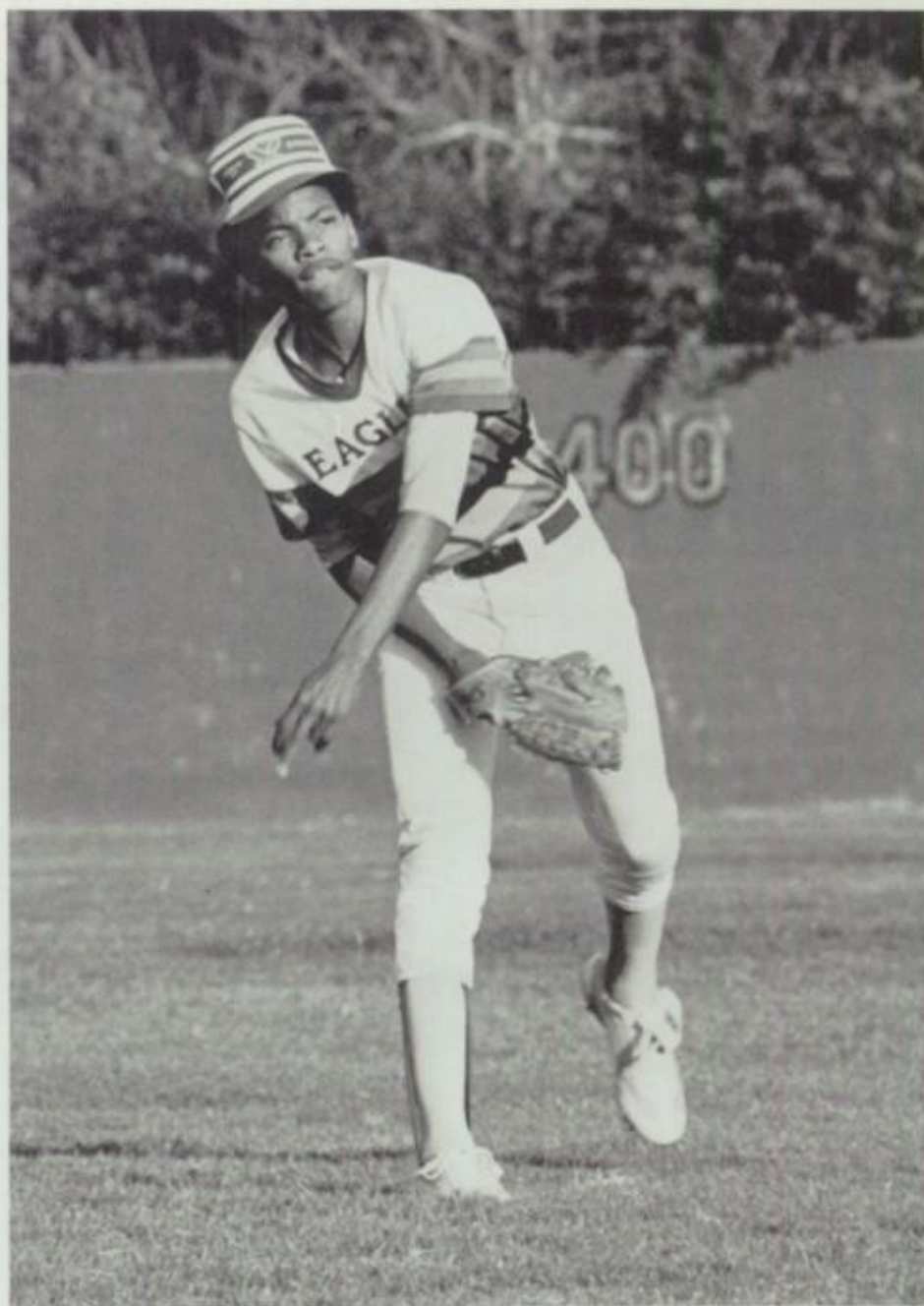
Edward Allen hammers the ball into the outfield.

The Sermon on the Mount.



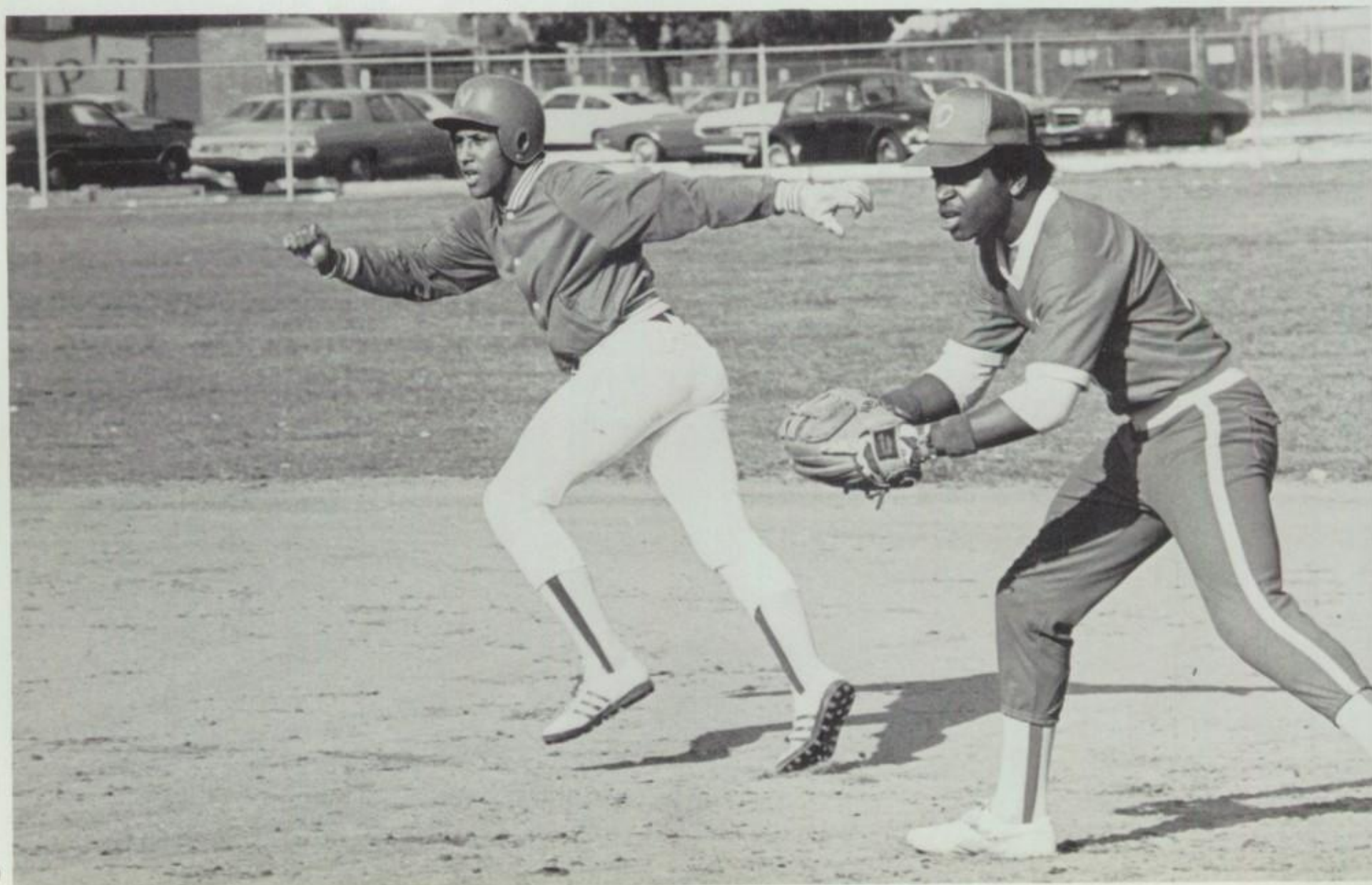


Al Thomas cheers on the team.



Jamal Clutchett in right field.

Alan Mayer makes the move to steal second base.



CHEERLEADERS 1981



Front to rear: Nicole Burton, Verdesiah Thomas, Darlene Powell, Angie Jones, Robin Collier and Shone Harris.

C.I.F. PLAY-OFFS 1981



Richard Gwynn makes a touchdown against Ycaipa.

Julius McBride kicks the ball deep into Santa Maria's territory.



Richard Robinson makes a shot against Servite.

At press time it looked like the Eagles were headed to the playoffs. Joseph Butler gets his signals from coach Pete.



SIMONTON NAMED SCHOLAR-ATHLETE



Glenn Simonton addresses the members of the National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame at the Eighteenth Annual Scholar-Athlete Awards Banquet as Ted Dawson of KABC and Jim Hanifan, Head Coach of the St. Louis Cardinals look on.

Varsity Basketball Season Record 17 - 8

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Donny Brown getting down.

A large graphic of a triangle composed of the word 'ACTIVITIES' repeated many times, set against a dark background with a starburst effect on the left.

BLACK HISTORY DAY



Jennifer Palacio of St. Michael's shares her talent with the "Verb."



Eric Laneuville gives an inspiring talk to the students on Black History Day.



Alan Haywood gives expert in impersonations of Verbum Dei staff members.



Deon Johnson and Anita Cooper both of Regina Caeli tap dance for needy soldiers.



An anxious crowd awaits the beginning of the "Verb's" Black History Day.

"Popatrons"- Brenton Iverson, Alphonso Thomas, Vincent Romain and Byron McIntyre.



A TRIBUTE TO FR. ROBINSON



James Davis, Student Body President welcomes Fr. Robinson.

Bishop Joseph A. Francis and Fr. Robinson share memories together.





Bishop Joseph A. Francis (right) presents Fr. Robinson with a special award for dedicated service.

HONOR SOCIETY



Seniors: Seated (L. to R) T. Van Buren, D. Jackson, G. Ballou, W. Hodges, F. Black, G. Simonton. Standing: A. Mayer, R. Hanks, C. Pruiet, C. Jones, T. Van Buren, and E. Hill. Absent: J. Davis and C. Richardson.



Juniors: Seated (l. to r.) M. Black, J. Clutchett, E. Allen, D. Forte, L. Douglas. Standing: D. Frank, J. Ford, K. Jelks, B. Holland, and C. Bowden.



Sophomores: Seated (L. to R.) D. Stallworth, D. Black, T. Moore, P. Davis, J. Butler, C. Clarke. Standing: E. Alexander, K. Ford, K. Crouch, P. Williams, R. Lister, L. Christopher, M. Sparks, T. Mc Millian, J. Willis, T. Glover, M. Osborn, T. Dees.



Freshman: Seated (L. to R.) K. Bigelow, L. Mitchell, R. Smith, K. Hocker, R. Wright, M. McPherson. Standing: C. Jefferson, T. Parrish, J. Lewis, B. Keeton, R. Owens, B. Smith, E. Walker. Standing Rear: K. Jelks, E. Anderson, J. Johnson, K. Bryand, P. Daniel, J. Taylor, C. Thomas.

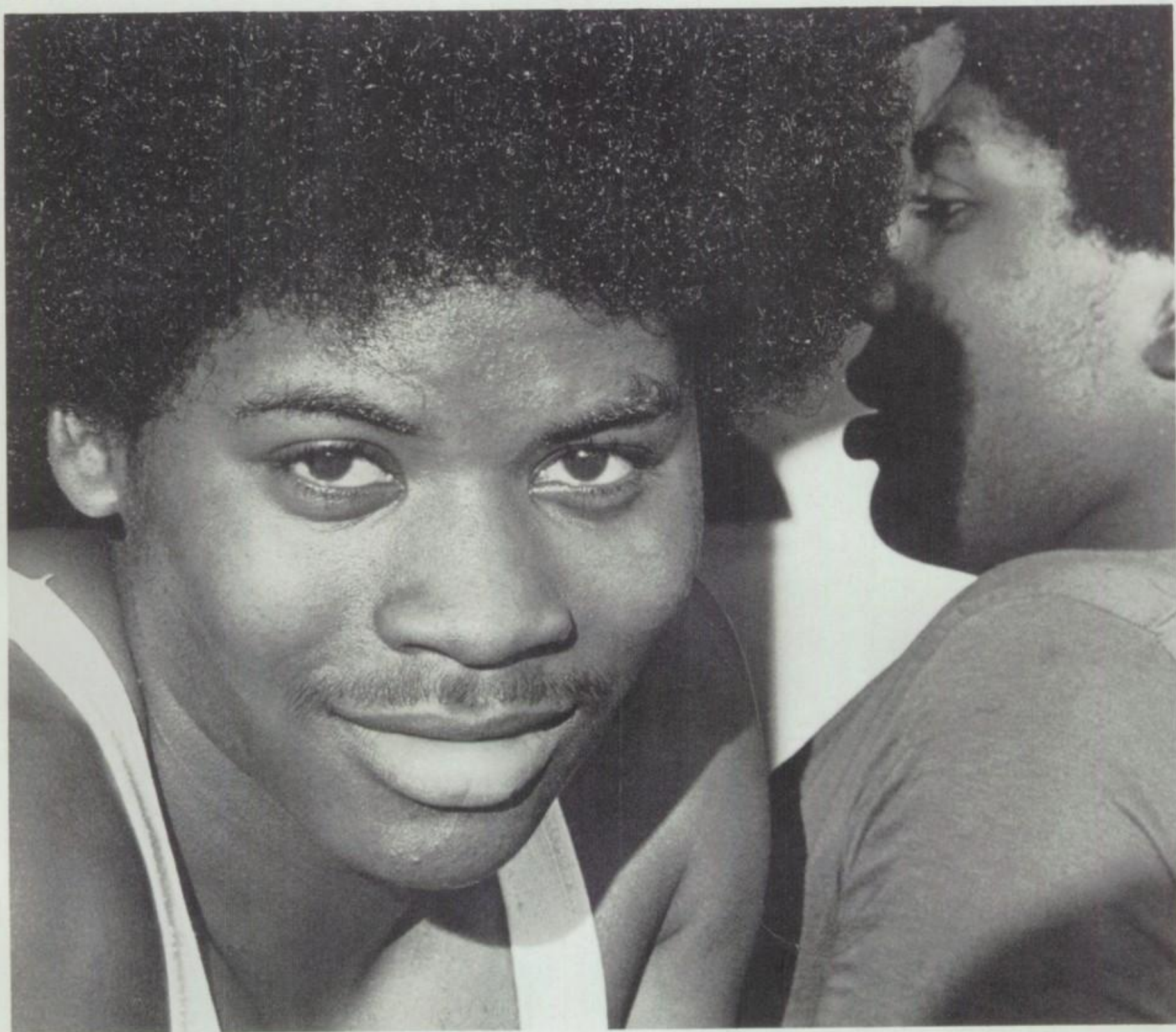




What beauties!



Coach Ernie Chavez shares his feelings at the bonfire before the Serra championship game.



Glenn Ford relaxes for a moment in the fieldhouse.



Al Thomas, Patrick Knight and Andre Romain - Verbum Ice.

1980-81 Homecoming



Homecoming candidate Sharron Edmond delivers her speech.



1980 Homecoming Queen Shawn Poole Lewis bids good-bye to the student body.



The candidates nervously await their turn to address the students.



The 1980-81 Homecoming Court Left to Right: Sharron Edmond and John Flowers, Carlita Carillo and Steven O'Leary, Johnnie Faye Anderson and Carl Johnson, Shawn Poole Lewis and Medgar Boston, La Trish Cowart and Stanley Martin, Renee Monteilh and Ronald Burgers, and Beverly Johnson and Cory Williams.



Beverly Johnson thanks the students of Verbum Dei for their support.

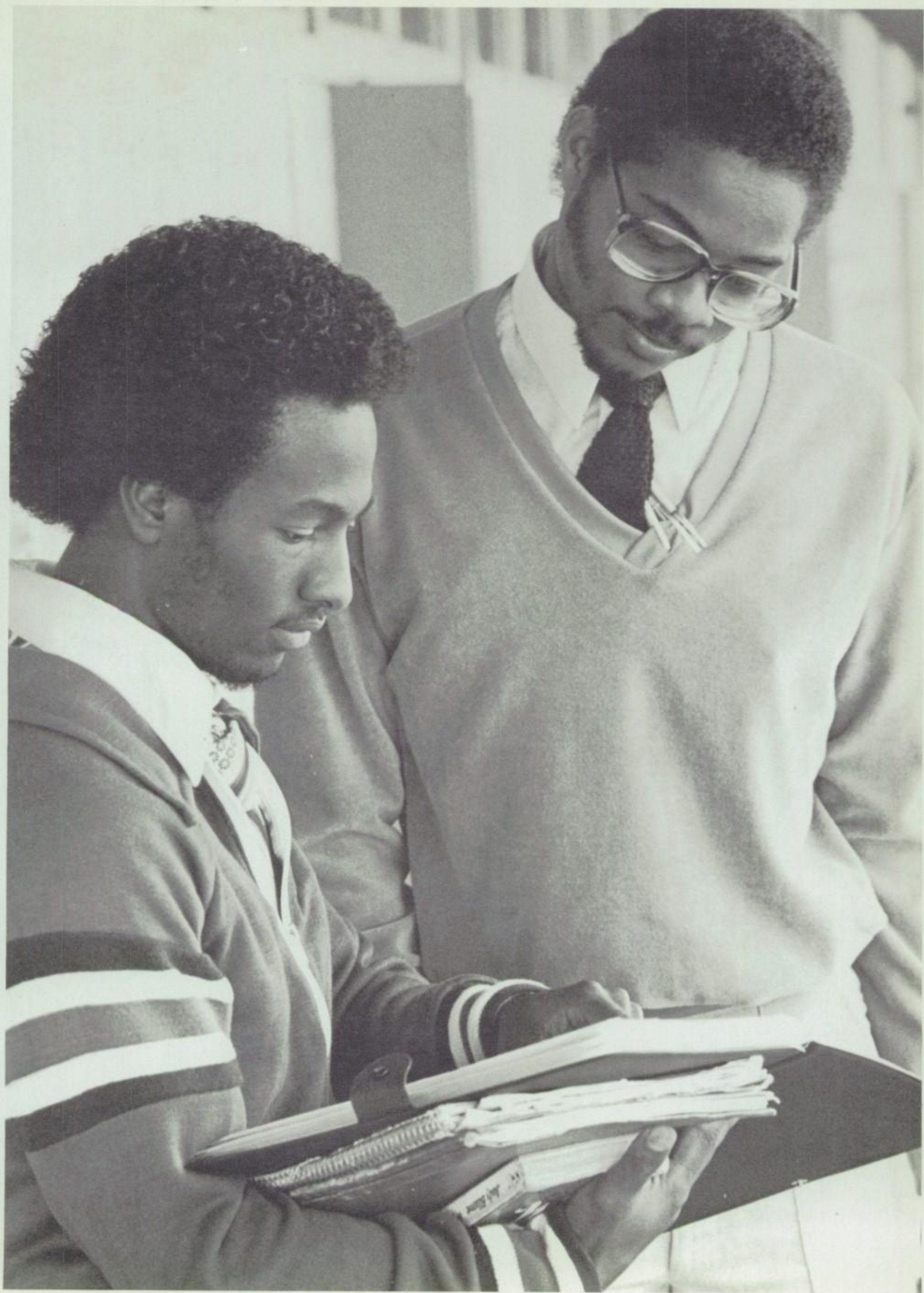


1980-81 Homecoming Queen Beverly Johnson and Cory Williams arrive at centerfield to share in the half-time festivities.



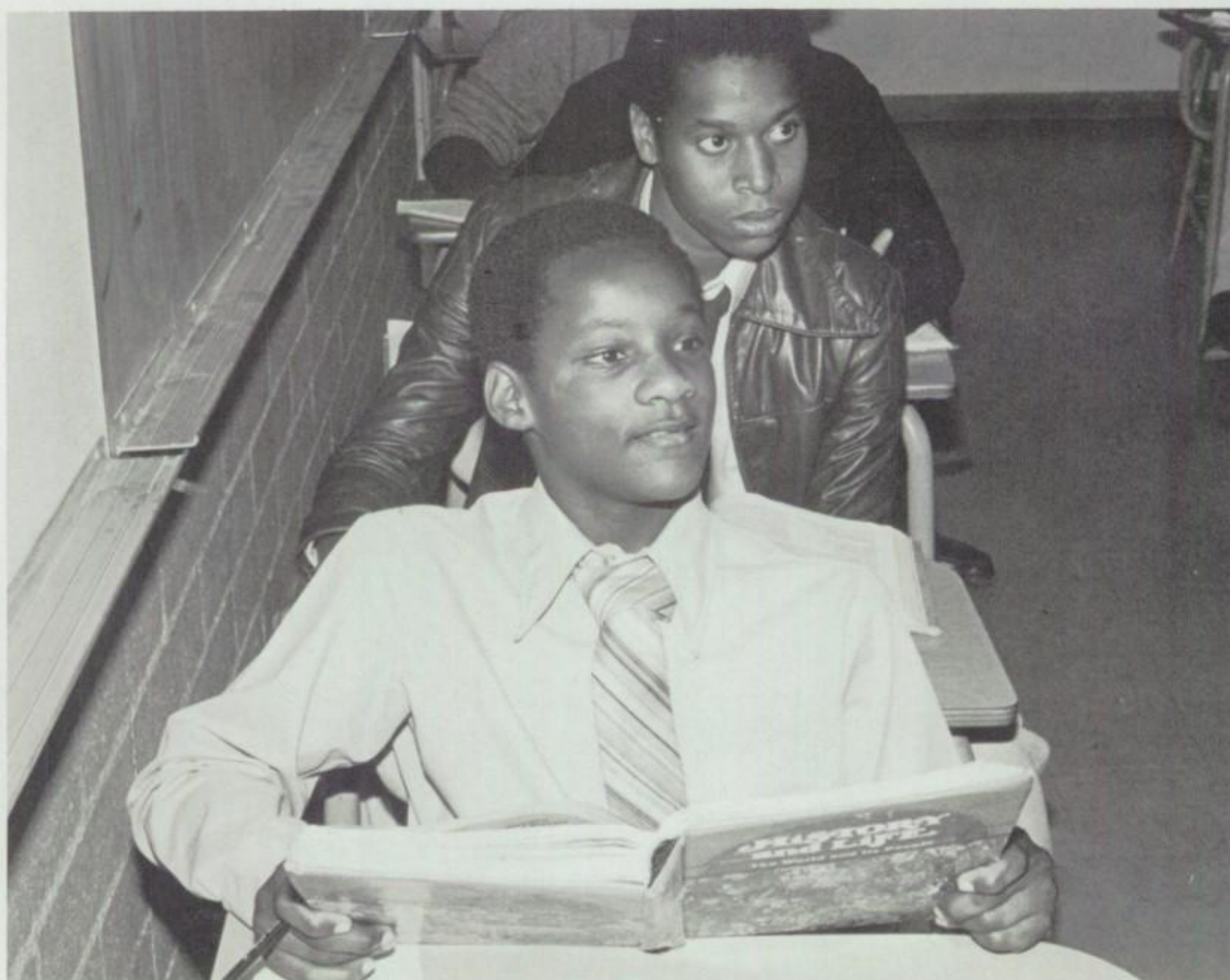
Father Thomas James counsels seniors Clarence Richardson and Jeremiah Adams.

Facing page: Donald Jackson and Bobby Winters correct notes.

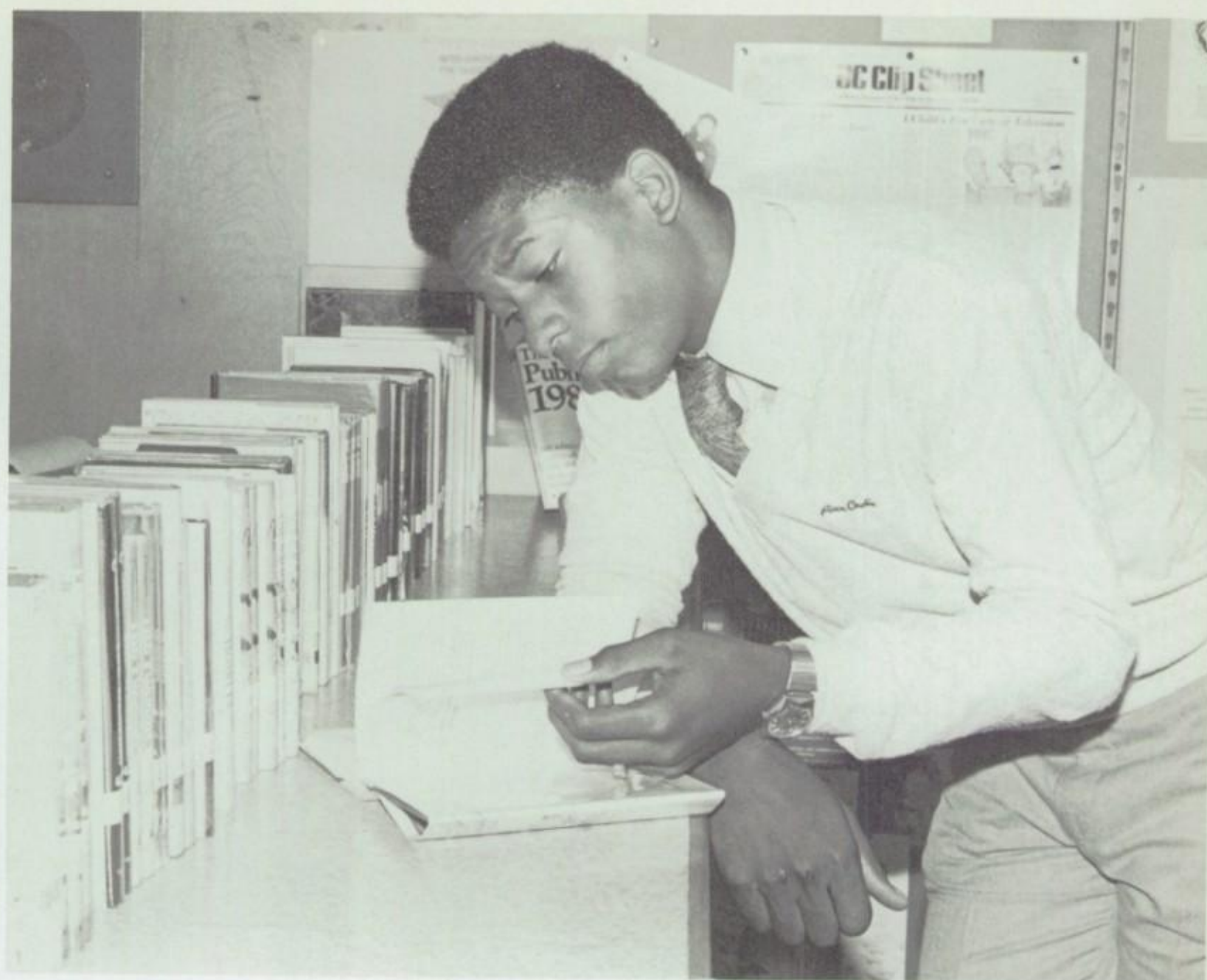




Clinton Pruiet and Clarence Richardson relax in Senior Square.



Coach Ernie's lecture makes class lively for Jamie Houston and Charles Tucker.



Richard Smith examines a new library book.



Bruce Jones seems to be more interested in looking at the camera than listening to Bro. Jim Liebner's words of wisdom.

At right: Medgar Boston and Beverly Johnson dance to the music.

Below: Alexander Hamilton and Darrick Dorsey pose with some friends.

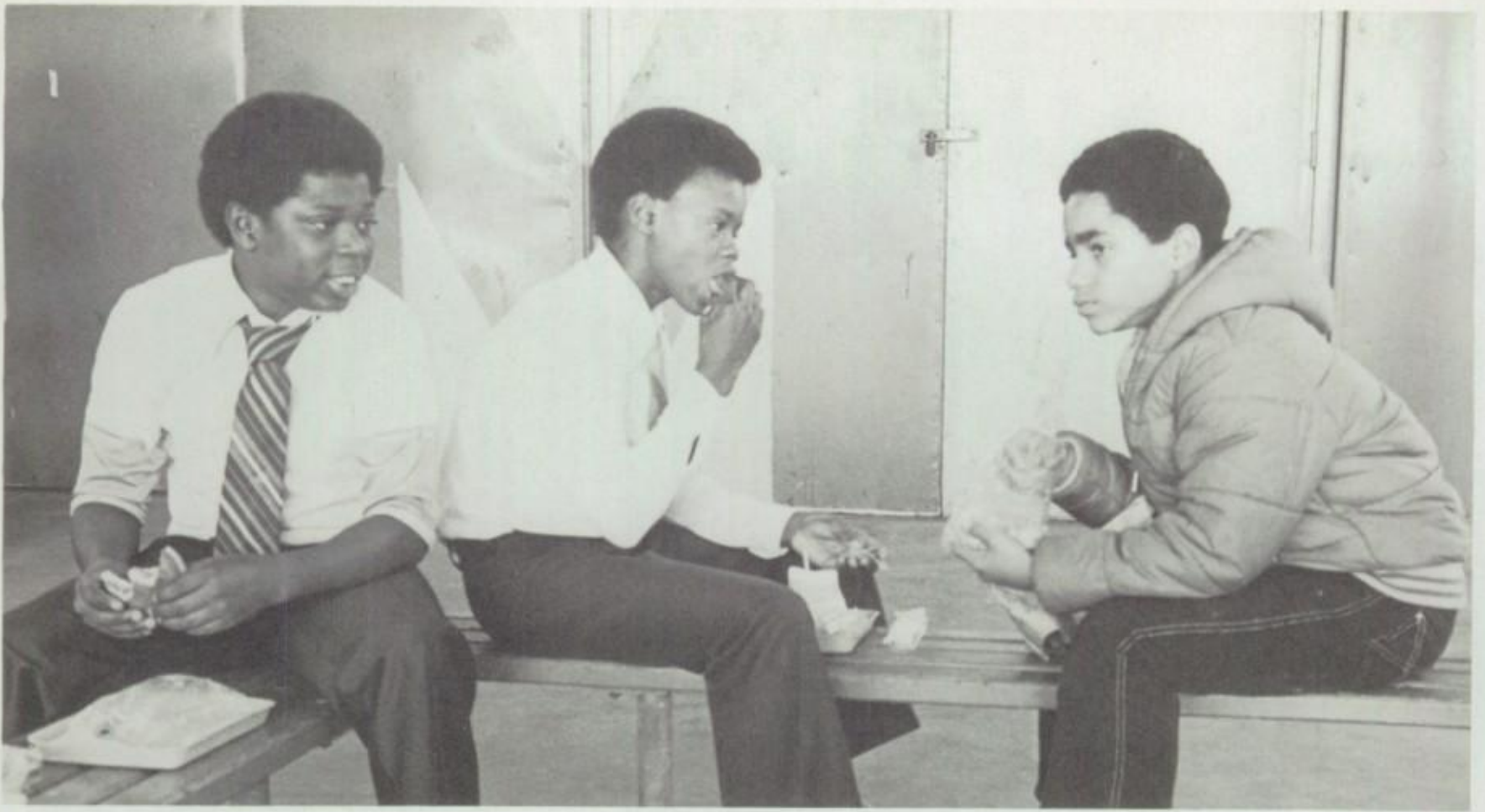
Facing page top left: As daylight breaks over the Verbum Dei campus, Kevin Crouch, Terrence Glover, Keith Frazier and Charles Tucker gather in anticipation of the events of the school day.

Bottom left: Fr. Mike Hutchins, Dwon Forte, Darrick Dorsey, Rodney Lister, Craig Collins and Cedric Clarke.

At right top to bottom: Lattimore Nelson, Coach Lalo Mendoza and David Hawkins.







Walter Hill, Roland Elie and Rodney Jones enjoy a meal together.



William Barnes, Dence Willis, Darryl Stallworth and Terry Winzer await their turn in the lunch line as Darrick Gordon looks on.



Thomas Moore and Troy Marshall.

STUDENT COUNCIL



Left to right: Front row Mr. E. Chavez, T. Marshall, D. Stallworth, K. Hocker, J. Lewis, C. Williams. Rear: J. Adams, R. LaBlanc, A. Mayer, R. Townsend, Brown, D. Romain, Mr. E. Mndoza, J. Davis, D. Jackson.



President James Davis



STUDENT BODY OFFICERS: D. Romain, Secretary; C. Williams, Treasurer; J. Adams, Sr. Class Vice-president; J. Davis, President; D. Jackson, Vice-president; R. LaBlanc, Sgt. at Arms.



FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS: (L. to R.) Reginald Romain, Richard Smith, Kurt Hocker, John Lewis, Gerald Bigelow, and John Johnson.

SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS: (L. to R.) T. Kip Stewart, Rodney Lister, Darryl Stallworth, Troy Marshall, Kevin Crouch, and Dwayne Hartley.





JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS: Seated: (L. to R.) Richard Townsend, Donald Brown, Craig Riddley. Standing: Vincent Romain and John Rose.

SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS: (L. to R.) Tobias Van Buren, Jimmy Roland, Elbert Watkins, Alan Mayer, Jeremiah Adams, and Theodore Van Buren.



WINGS OF DESTINY STAFF



(l. to r.) Kevin Crouch, Keith Frazier and Brother Jim Liebner. Kevin and Keith did the copy and lay-out Brother Jim did the photos. Many thanks the many people who brought in Ads. Sorry if we left your picture out of the book. We hope you enjoy "The Wings of Destiny."

PARTING SHOTS





A large, stylized graphic of a rocket ship or arrow pointing upwards, composed of the word 'ADVERTISING' repeated many times in a grid-like pattern. The background is dark with white stars and a bright starburst on the left.

SPONSORS

Love and Appreciation to my mother, Andre

Mon Cher Clarence, Tu es le meilleur des tous dans mon livre. Soignes-te! Amour, Lorrie Carter

Congratulations and Best Wishes to Gary Hamilton, The Thompson Family

Pookie, May the basketball continue to roll your way, Donald Brown

May your Wishes Be As Strong As Eagles Wings That Will Carry You To Your Highest Goal. Love Bonnie and Marvin Anderson

To Clarence, It is time to take another big step. You are well prepared to take the challenge. Good luck and may God Bless you, Love June

Gary Hamilton I wish you a prosperous future, Viola Hamilton- Dental Consultant

To Pookie, Good Luck and best wishes from your Godparent, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Browan

Good Luck, Pookie, From Catherine Neville

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Continued Success, Kenneth - Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Wilson

Congratulations Kenneth Hammond for working hard for your school - Mr. and Mrs. Felman Smith

To a well qualified young man in whatever field he persues, to my little friend, Kenneth Hammond - McKinley Lee

Plaza "1" Hour Cleaners, Inglewood Ca. Congratulations "Steven"

Good Luck and much success in the future to Larry Bayone - Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Williams

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Congratulations and best wishes and may your future continue to be a promising one to Clarence Richardson.

To my brother Pookie, Good luck in basketball and keep up the good work. I love you. Your sister, Carla Richardson c/o 81

On to the next challenge for all of us - Jack

Pookie and Carl, both of you brothers have got to make it, Carol Brown

Bel Air Surgical Co.

To Carl Richardson, Good luck in your last year at Verbum Dei and also to the Class of "82." From your mother, Faye Richardson

Mrs. Kyrilee Mc Coy and Family - Congratulations to the Class of 1981 and good luck to John Lewis

To Pookie, Congratulations to you. I think you deserve it. Your uncle, Robert Wilkins

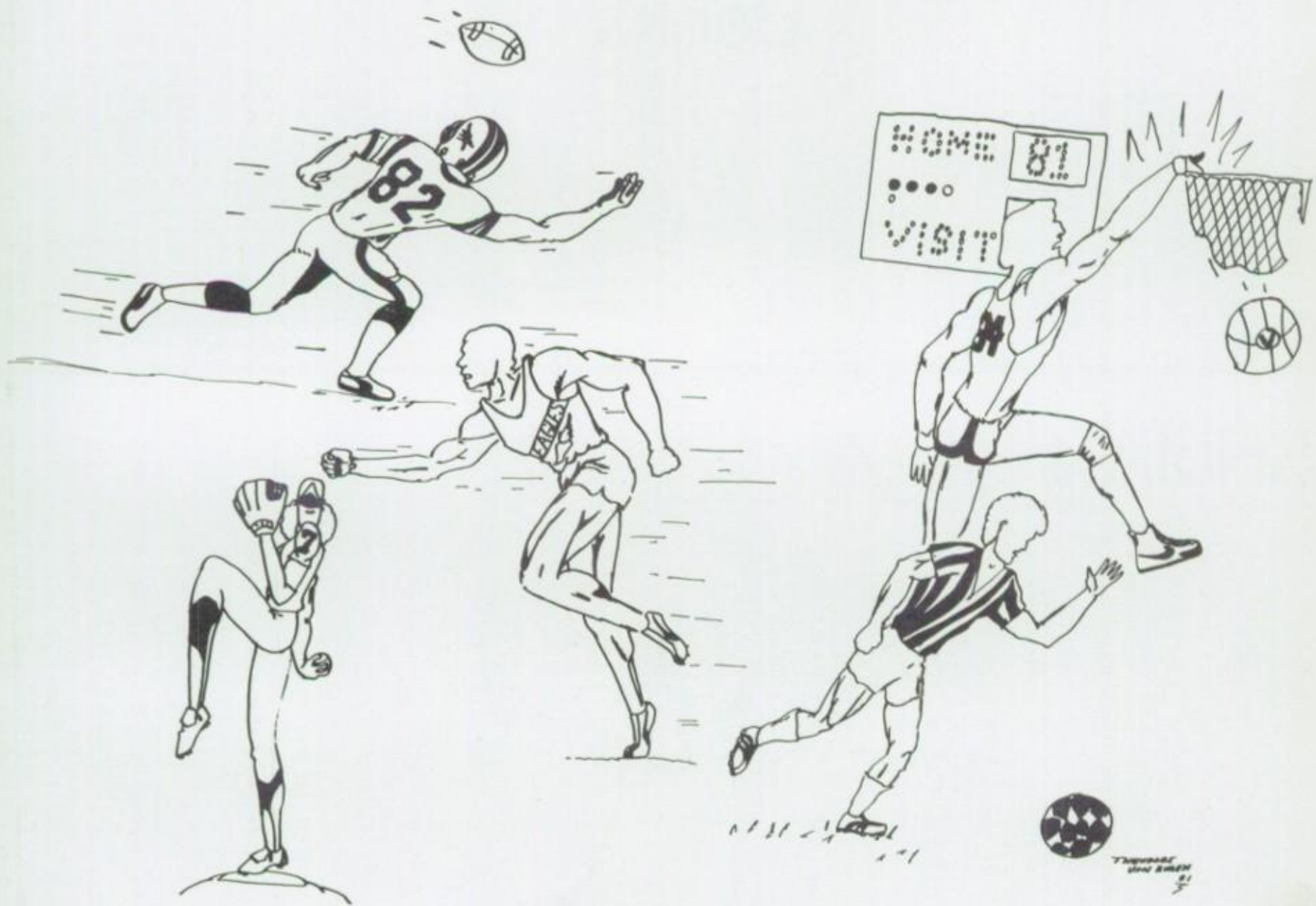
To Clarence, An outstanding athlete and person. You have all my blessings. Your Aunt, Audrey

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Coaches Elio, Ernie, Pete, Lalo, Bob and Bill.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to the
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From the Ladies in the Office
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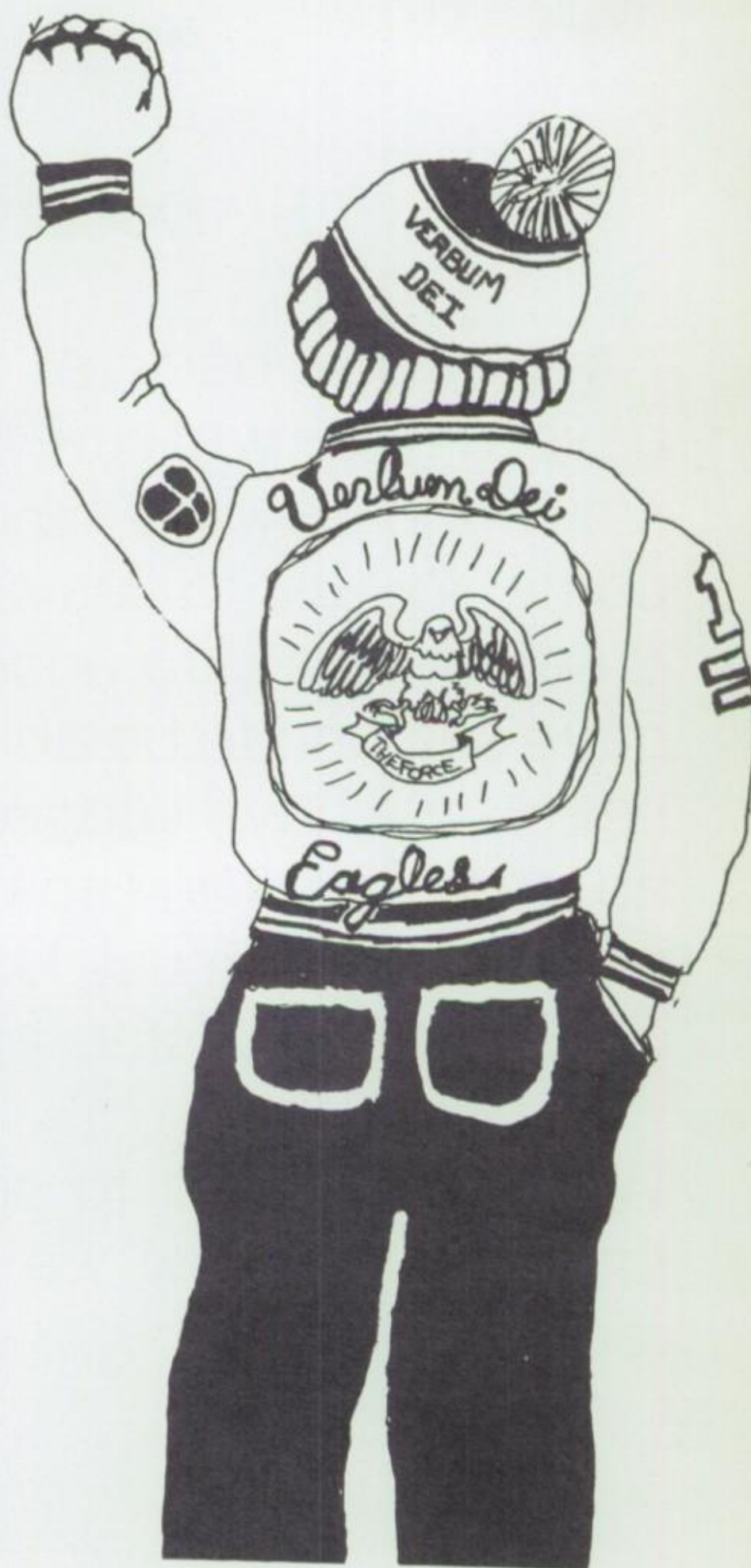
FRESHMAN *EAGLES*



THE CLASS OF 1983

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 Lonnie Christopher
 Richard Christopher
 Cedric Clarke
 Aaron Colbert
 Lance Cowart
 DeShan Craver
 Clinton Cross
 Kevin Crouch
 Curtis Davis
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 Darrick Dorsey
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 Harold Eidson
 Kenneth Eggleston
 Shawn Ellis
 Damonde Finney
 Glenn Ford
 Kevin Ford
 Kenneth Franklin
 Keith Frazier
 Terrence Glover
 John Goins
 Demmette Guidry
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 Marvin Harvey
 Calvin Haynes
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 Michael Hilliard
 Bryan Hilt
 Brian Hollins
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 Paul Williams
 James Willis
 Marcus Winzer
 Vincent Wooden
 Joseph Young



SENIORS

By Donald Jackson

As we look back at the accomplishments we have made, we can look at each other with a smile and say we have survived. The time has come for us to leave, to venture out, into a greater society to accomplish our goals that we have set, and to be able to once again say with a smile - we have survived. We realize it will not be an easy road and many obstacles will stand in our way. We must keep the faith for God will guide us every step of the way.

We have learned to settle for nothing less than the best. So now we leave, but our spirit shall remain with you.

Sworn to Fun
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The Livest Class is '81

CONGRATULATIONS

TO THE CLASS OF 1981

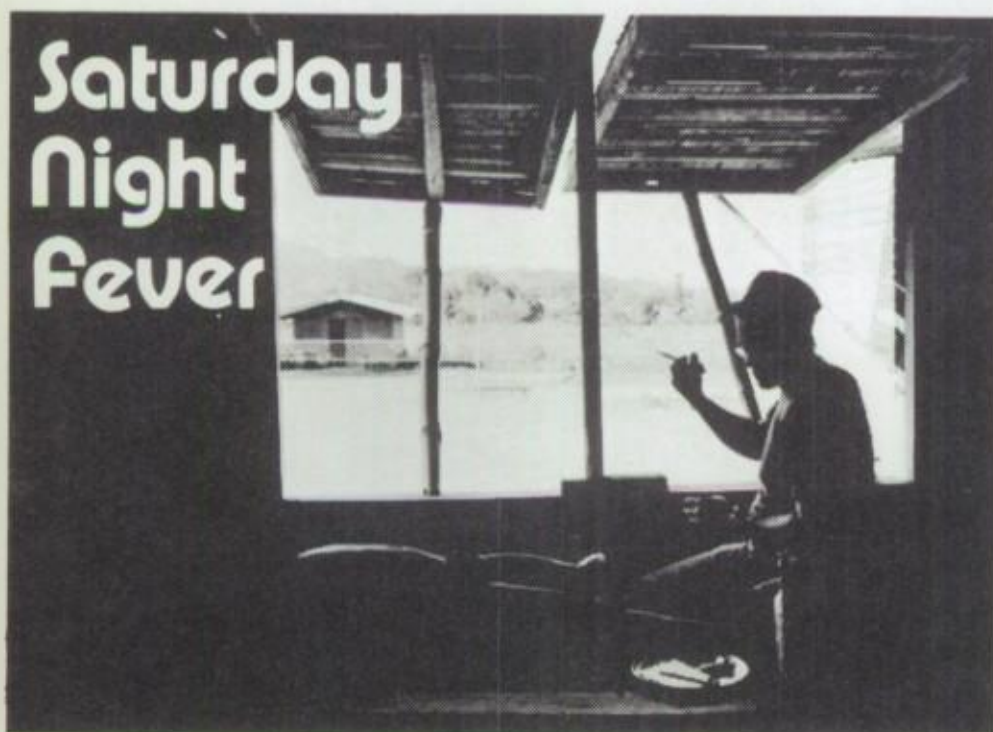


FROM THE CLASS OF 1982



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 1981

From The Lunch Crew: Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Hooks, Julius McBride and
Eric Tate



You sit up half the night with a sick old man. At first light the fever breaks. Thank God, the worst is over. Tomorrow, you begin work again on the new school. You've been working on it now for three years. No one said the job was easy.

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To Clarence Richardson:
Congratulations "Pookie,"

We, Lornetta and Angela Caldwell, are proud to see you succeed academically and as well in basketball. We wish you luck in all your future goals.

Love from all of us:

I, Harlon Caldwell will you my 280z.
I, Dante Jones will you my jordache.
I, Lavera Caldwell will you my good judgement.
I, Angela Caldwell will you my great personality.
I, Lashone Caldwell will you my chocolate candy.
I, Wayne Caldwell will you my jokes.
I, Champ Jones will you all my basketball ability.
I, Lornetta Caldwell will you my everlasting love. Congratulations from all of US!



Congratulations to Clarence Richardson.

Thank God for a Great Grandson and good luck in the future.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brown

Congratulations to Gary Hamilton

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To our nephew Clarence,

Wish you the best of luck. When faith with your dream or goal never quit. Always think positive. Keep on striving until you climb over. Find a path with your dreams and goals underneath and simply stay. Turn your dreams into your goal. With the help of God and the Love of us, Ray and Renee, See you at the top.

From your Aunt and Uncle,
Love Always, Ray and Renee Williams

CONGRATULATIONS TO GARY
HAMILTON
FROM THE ROSS FAMILY:
EUGENE, IDA RYAN AND
ROBIN

May the Best Years of Your Life Be
Ahead of You. Look Forward to Them,
And Make Them Rewarding as Only You Can.
With Best Wishes and Love:
The Ross Family

To Pookie,

I hope you get out of life what you want. I think you have
worked very hard to get this far. But please do not give up,
go further. I hope you decide to go to a good college.

Good Luck, Your Uncle Donnie

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Congratulations To Donald Romain and the Class of 1981

To the Students of Verbum Dei High School
Especially to the Freshman Class
John and Martha Voss



"Pook," Keep hitting those books as hard as you hit the
boards, excellence knows no color and knowledge is the
ultimate drug.

Best Wishes, Mike Natelson



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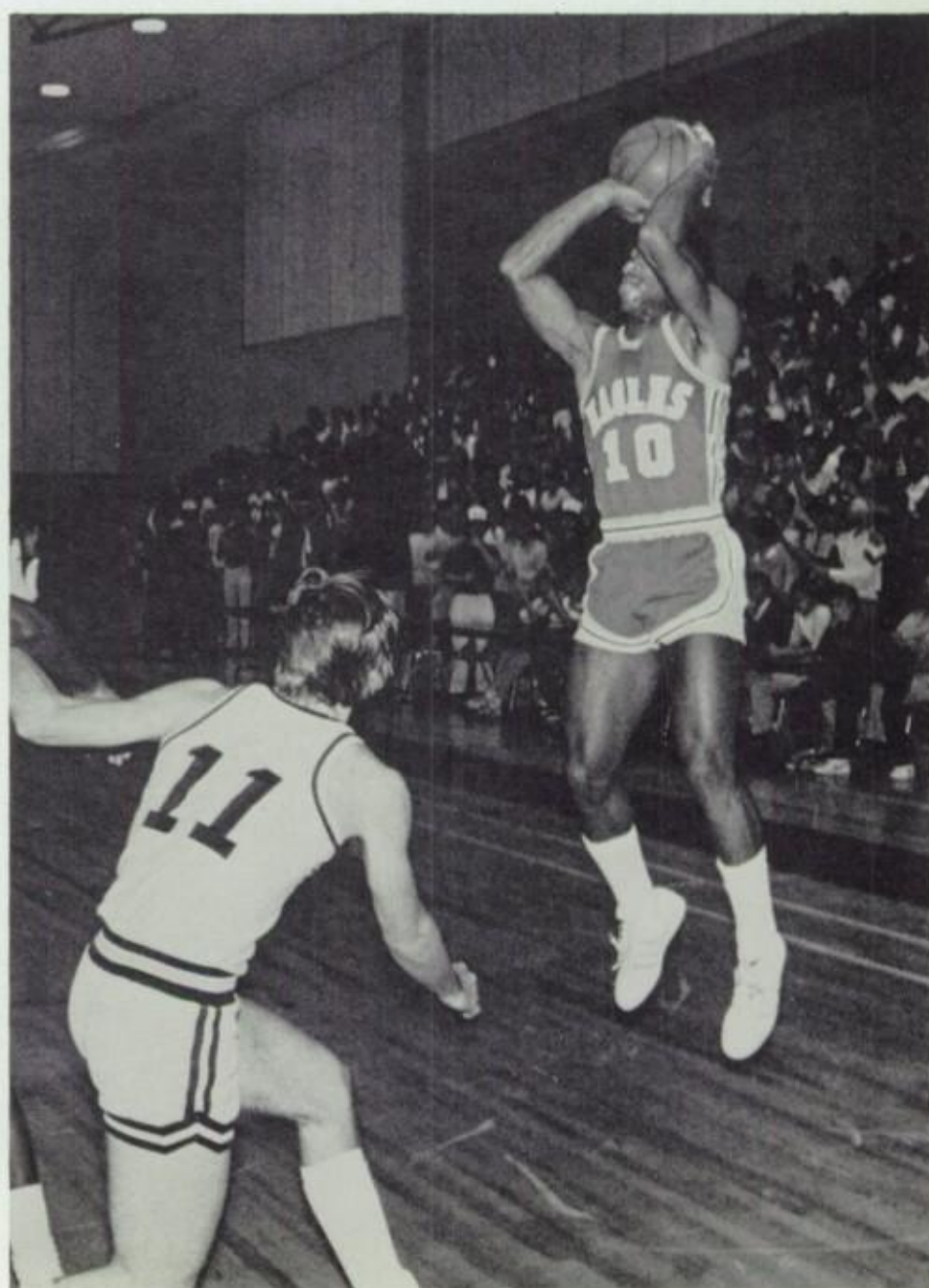
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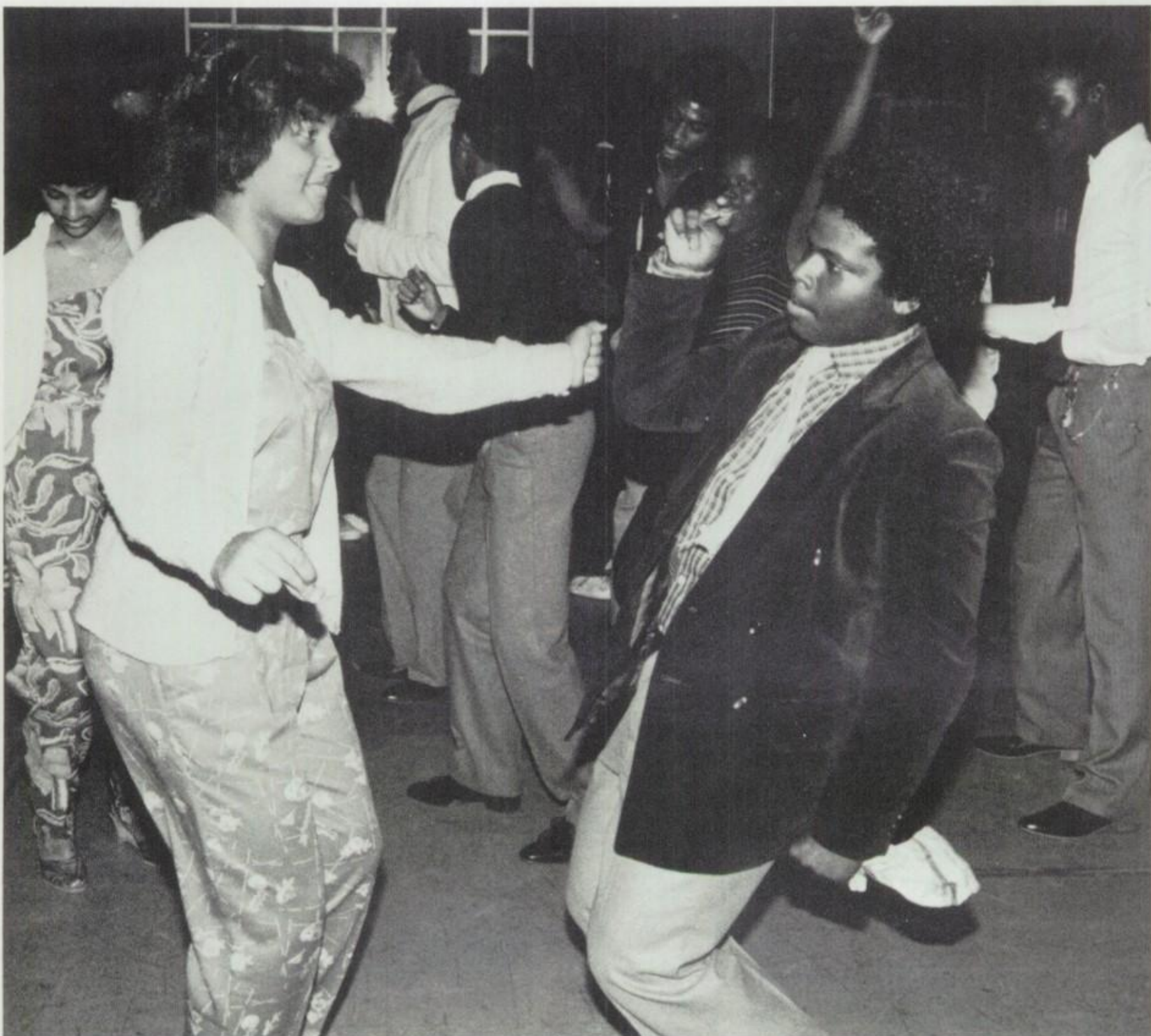
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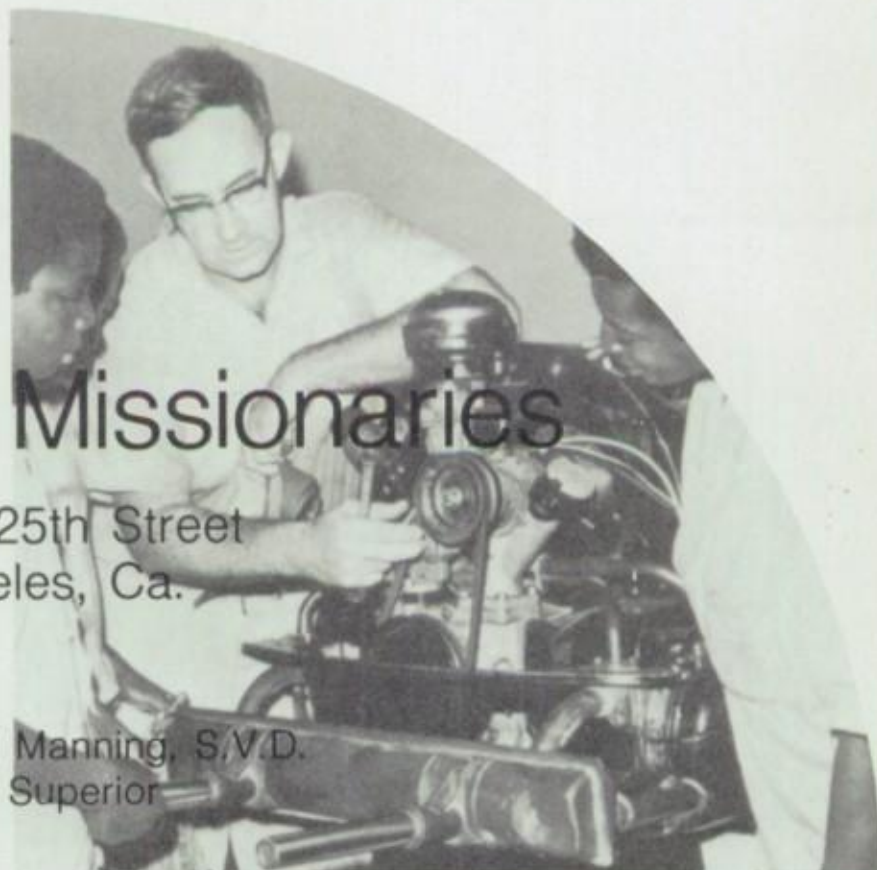
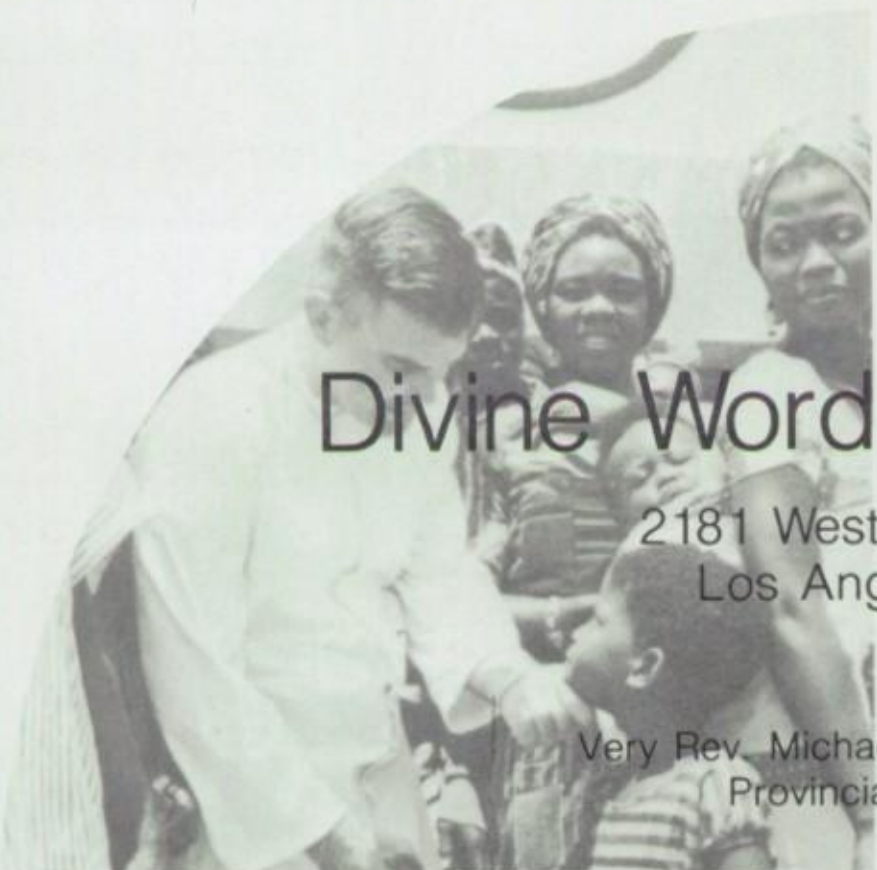
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